

WHO are you?

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2007

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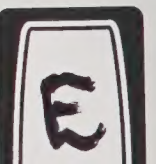


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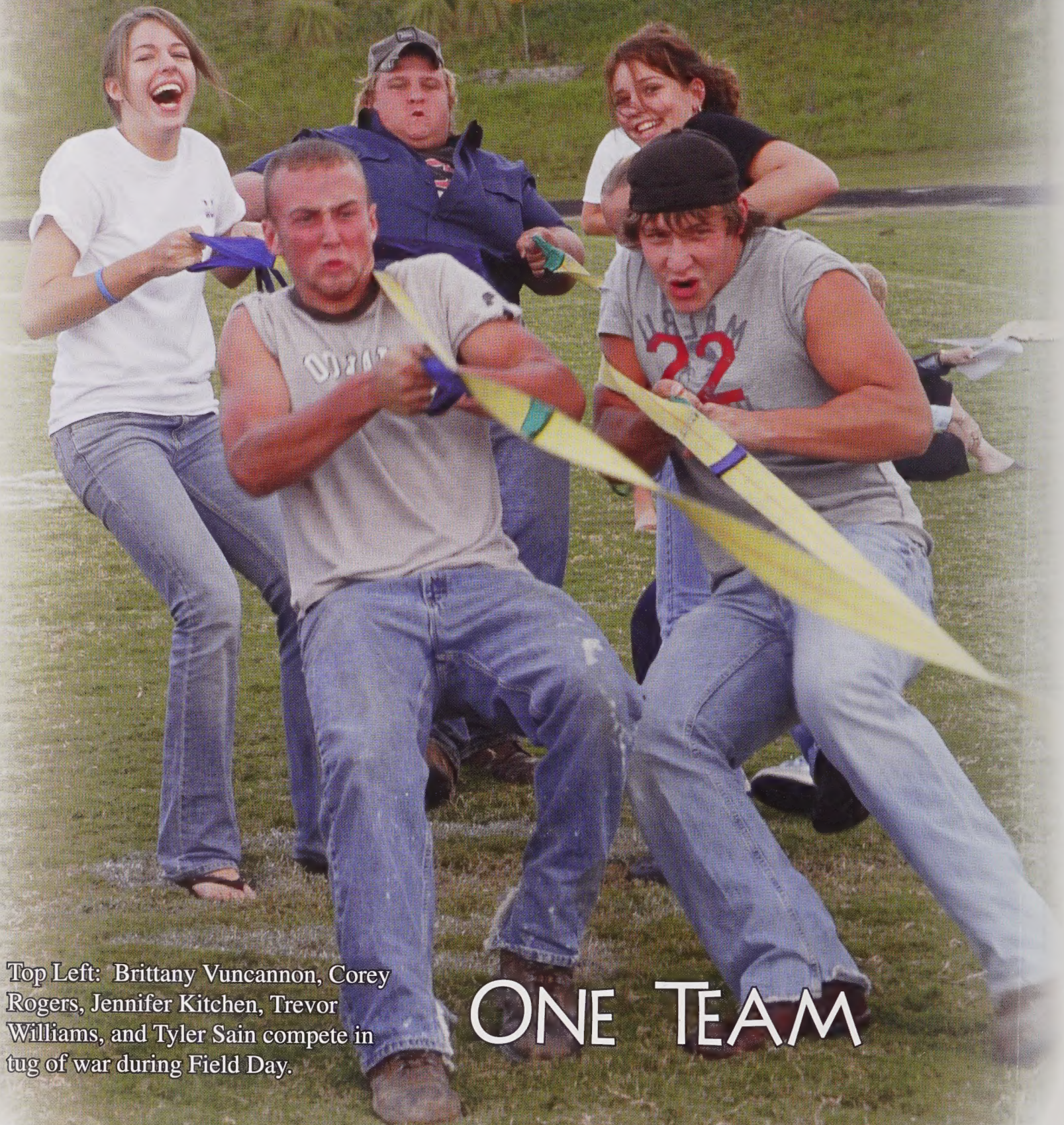


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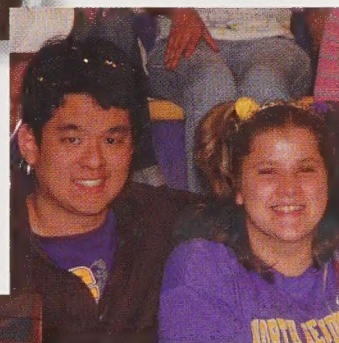
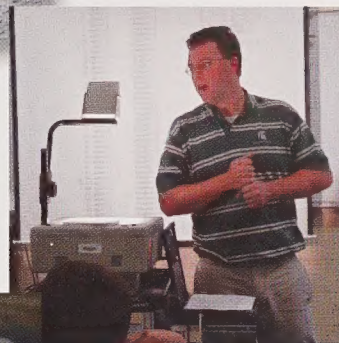
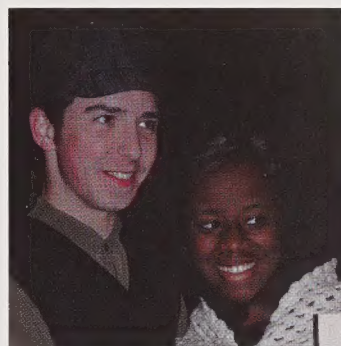
Top Left: Brittany Vuncannon, Corey Rogers, Jennifer Kitchen, Trevor Williams, and Tyler Sain compete in tug of war during Field Day.

ONE TEAM

High school has a tendency to instantly label people, to slap a sticker on them and not think twice about it. Most people don't just fit into one stereotype though. People could be labeled just off looks, while, really, they are nothing like that. Each person has individual interests and individual hobbies that are completely different from other people who share their same labels.

Every student at North, in some way or another, is **distinguished**. People know who they are. You might identify someone by their choice of hobby or choice of music. Students may be known for their activities and their interests, but for other things as well. While people are unique on their own, they also work together to make the school distinguished. Our Spirit Squad pushes the limits to stand out. "People thought I was an idiot for standing out there in nothing but paint and shorts, but I loved it," said Senior Jed Freeman. The Student Council makes our school look great by organizing campus cleanups. We all work together to achieve, both as individuals and as groups, and to push our school to be recognized.

Each and every student varies from their peers, which makes North students **diverse**. Some students may engage themselves in the performing arts while others choose to spend their time organizing the next big school dance, still others prefer to play video games with friends. What we do and where we're from make us all different, but we are still able to contribute to groups and share common interests. "I choose to be in the group I am because it expresses the way I feel and it allows me to choose what I do, instead of others choosing for me," Junior Tony Turbyfill said.



A group of students in Spirit Squad costumes are walking on a grassy field. They are wearing purple and yellow face paint, yellow and purple hats, and holding large American flags. The student on the left is wearing a purple shirt with yellow stripes and a yellow and purple hat. The student on the right is wearing a grey t-shirt with 'Prop. Of W. Henderson Athletic Dept.' and black shorts. They are all holding large American flags.

ONE STUDENT BODY

ONE SPIRIT

DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS

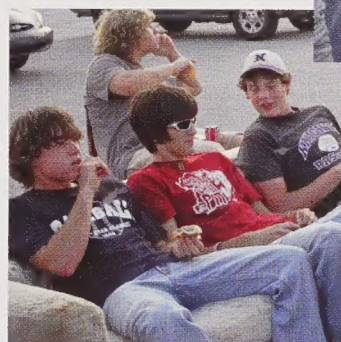
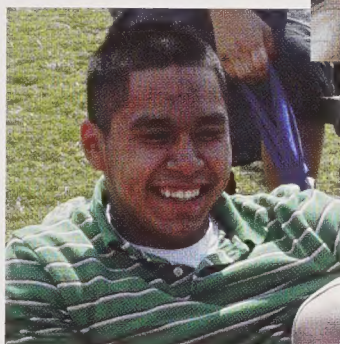
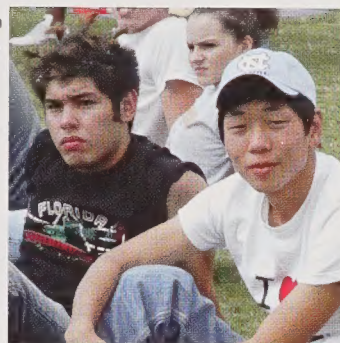
Left: Students Alan Clancy Ravin Patel and various students in the Spirit Squad prepare themselves before a Football game.

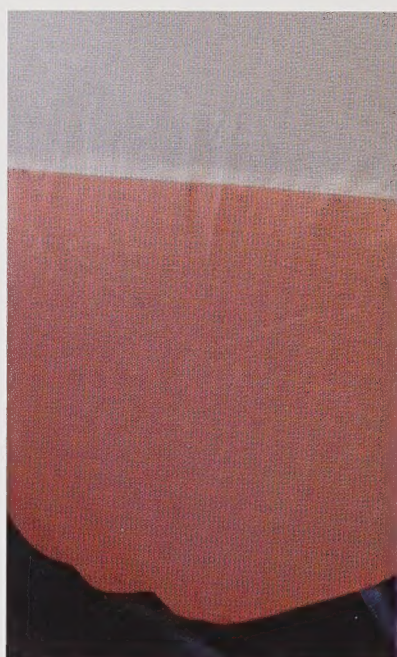
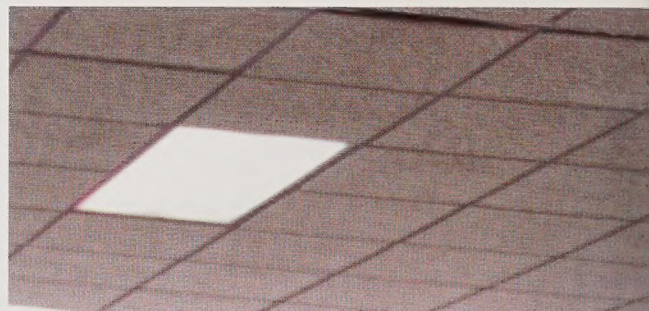
WHO ARE YOU?

High schools can excel in many things, but North prides itself in academics and in club activities. We really are a **studious** group of people. Take Senior Logan Brackett for example; Logan spent his entire summer at NC Governors' School to study mathematics and proceeded to take Calculus during the year. But it's not always about who you choose to be in school, it's also the impact you make in your community. Some people join clubs like FCLA, DECA, Key Club, Interact and the Diversity club in hopes of making a difference. "I love joining clubs because it makes me feel like I'm organized. And it also gives me the opportunity to meet new people so I can open my mind to the world," said Senior Alicia Diaz.

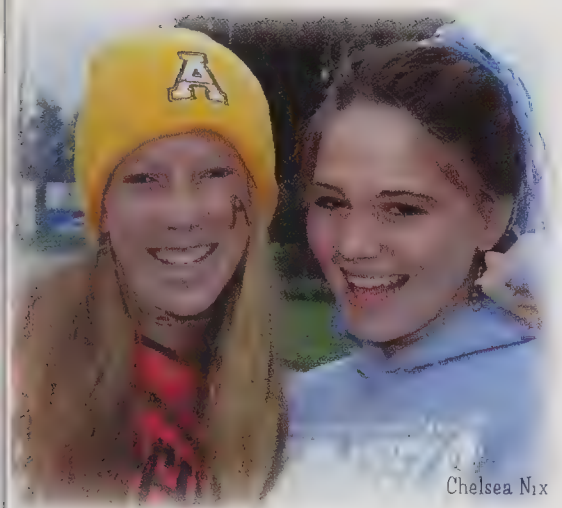
Students at North exhibit success by being **victorious** athletes. They don't exactly have to have a winning season to be victorious, but that helps. North athletes can be victorious through pride, spirit and performance as well. With so many tough routines, sore muscles, and yelling coaches, simply surviving practice suddenly gets much more challenging. "There were some meets where we didn't come in first, but our team always put out a good effort," said Senior track member Lydia Cox. "We definitely put a lot of heart into running."

With all the differences and similarities, with all the wins and losses, with all the challenges and achievements, this is who we are. We are distinguished. We are diverse. We are studious and victorious. We are Knights and this is what we do. So, now we ask, **Who Are You?**





DISTINGUISHED



Mark Twain once wrote, "We are always more anxious to be distinguished for a talent which we do not possess, than to be praised for the fifteen which we do," and a hundred years later we still haven't embraced this idea.

Riiinnnggg!!! The bell echoes through the halls, it's finally Friday! It's time to run out the door, hop in the car, cram into the bus, or put those walking shoes on. Whether we're rushing to get to work on time, going to the mall with friends, staying after for sports, or going home for video games and junk food, we all have different destinations. Our after school activities are what make us stand apart from the crowd.

Once out of North's doors, it's time to shine, to do the impossible and go above and beyond expectations. Sophomore Ethan Hardin, past cellist of the All State Orchestra said, "It was practicing until my fingers turned into callouses, being hungry before auditions, and learning new fingerings, that got me third chair in state orchestra."

Even those who are tied down to hours of work can still exceed the limit. Senior Matt Holt said, "I work at Outback. As a waiter, I have to deal with a lot, but I use my personality to talk to people." Being distinguished is about taking advantage of your extra qualities and applying them to life.

But let's face it; we don't get nearly enough free time outside of school walls. So, how do we stick out as a group? Senior Erin Finsel said, "We had play practice for [Fiddler on the Roof] almost every day and sometimes it was stressful. Working together and being with close friends made it much easier when things got rough. When the play was over we knew that we had done something amazing."

Though we don't only stand out in our drama skills, we beat the pants off of everyone, when it comes to spirit! Junior Jennifer Rosadio said, "We do everything, from constructing our own homecoming dance to spirit week and field day. I wouldn't want to go to any other high school!"

Sure, it can be hard to get in the spot light. And at times it seems like everyone else is just trying to bring us down. But it's important to remember that, as North Henderson students, we are recognized. We are distinguished!



Gathering around singing 'Match Maker' Senior Sarah Ray feels the urge to push junior Chelsea Earskin over a into a basket.(Top left)

The Soldiers, Krantz Maglasson and Senior Jay Pryor celebrate Tevia's daughter's engagement.(Left)

Jennifer Digangi holds a candle in the dark room and prepares to sing.

ACT IT OUT!

...LIKE YOUR ON BROADWAY...

Mesmerized by the performance, the audience exits feeling like they were part of the show. The spring musical *Fiddler on the Roof*. According to the cast, this is one of the best presentations they have performed. "I think that it was a very very good turn out and I had lots of fun being a part of it," said Senior Shanice Marshall, who played the part of Yente, the village matchmaker.

There is so much work to be done by the cast, like memorizing lines, maintaining the forth wall, and, most importantly, being sincere to their character. "The most challenging part was practicing our parts with lines, blocking, characterization and the emotion for the first couple of times," said Shanice. The play took place in a small Jewish town. Director Ms. Byorick was very careful to stress the importance of tradtion in the Jewish faith to the cast, so that their performances could be accurate.

No matter how great the musical is complications still come along. "At a part of the play the well stopped working and the other characters had to ad-lib," said Junior Hannah Williams. Actors must always be prepared to improvise when technical difficulties arise. Sometimes ad-libs are what make a show unique and loved by everyone.

It seems that the cast didn't have any problem being in front of the crowd. The cast stated that they got used to it after the first couple of lines and they didn't even realize that there was a crowd. "I loved being in front of the audience," said Hannah; "Being able to act and sing, theater is just what I love".



Casondra Maybin the ghost of the butcher's wife has come to stop the marriage of tevy's daughter and the butcher.

Exchanging goodbyes, senior Logan Bracket sees his friend on last time as senior Michael Manning is told he must leave the town.

All the jewish townspeople gathered around at the beginning and end of the play, as seen on broadway. A circle that is symbolic of lasting tradition and their community.(bottom right)



BLACK TIES :

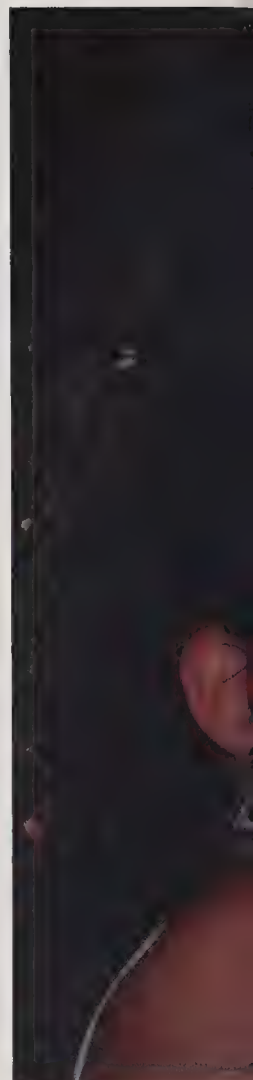
■ ■ ■ ...WHITE ROSES

As underclassmen, students always look forward to the dance of a lifetime, the best outing of many high school students' career: Prom. Not only do the ladies get to dress up, but the men get to prove that they can ditch the baggy shorts, loose shirts and clean up.

On May 26, 2006, the Junior-Senior Prom, which was also open to invited underclassmen (meaning upperclassmen had to invite them), began at 7:00 on Friday night. Being on a Friday, school attendance rates plummeted down throughout the day and caused chaos in the front office. Prom was held at the Crest Center, a beautiful location that even had an outdoor balcony. But many students complained about the size of the dance floor because it was smaller than expected. Dancers were dancing off the hardwood floor and around the tables, some even danced on the balcony. Of course overcrowding always brings body heat, and many students, like Senior Dakota Benson complained that, "Everyone was sweating profusely." However, the Crest Center's balcony was a great relief to many who were bothered by the heat.

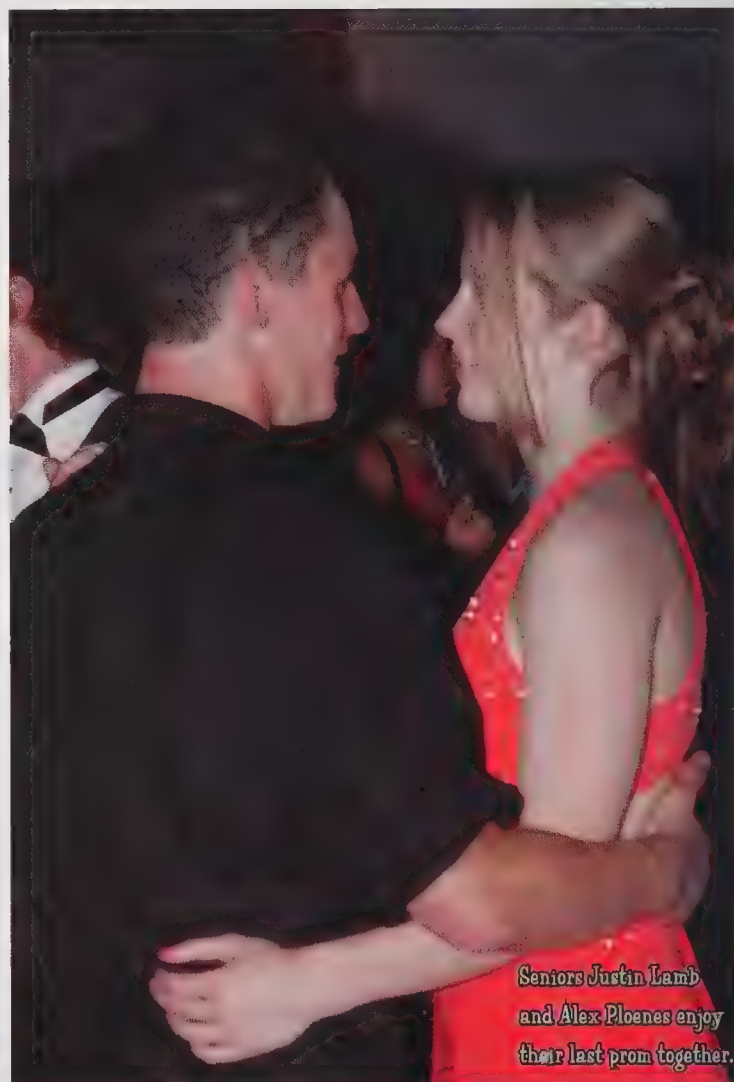
Another way to cope with the heat was to rest. There were round tables placed around the dance floor, benches on the balcony and more. There were food and drinks ranging from potato chips to cookies, from soft drinks to water; the Crest Center did a great job with keeping the dancers as comfortable as possible.

The theme was Black Ties and White Roses, but that didn't mean that students attending prom had to wear black or white. The hot colors were shades of pink, orange, and the usual stand-by, black and white. The men of course dressed in black, some even in white and by the middle of the dance had taken off at least their jacket. Though prom was formal, it seemed comfort was more important than making an impression. Every year prom brings on new memories and more entertainment.



DISTINGUISHED

The King and Queen have their dance. Prom King Jackie Corn and Prom Queen Annie Waddell enjoy their night as King and Queen.



Seniors Justin Lamb and Alex Ploenes enjoy their last prom together.



Senior Stacey Cresock and Junior Dalton Huntley gaze into each others eyes as they enjoy a slow dance together.

ARE YOU a Prom King or a Wallflower?

1. Once you get to the Prom:

- a. immediately start dancing
- b. Find a spot to park your date

2. How much did you see the dance floor?

- a. I never got off the floor
- b. I looked over occasionally to laugh

Mostly A's
You're a Prom King

3. Do you eat/drink a lot during prom?

- a. I had to after wearing myself
- b. That's what it is there for

Mostly B's
You're a Wallflower

4. At the end of the night:

- a. I'm ready to hit the sack
- b. I'm ready to party



From top left: Amy Lancaster, Shantice Marshall. Second row: Chelsea Martin, Karitta McCombs, and Ashley Turner. A group of ladies get together and dance to make it a night to remember.

IN STRIDE:

...WALKING WITH PRIDE....

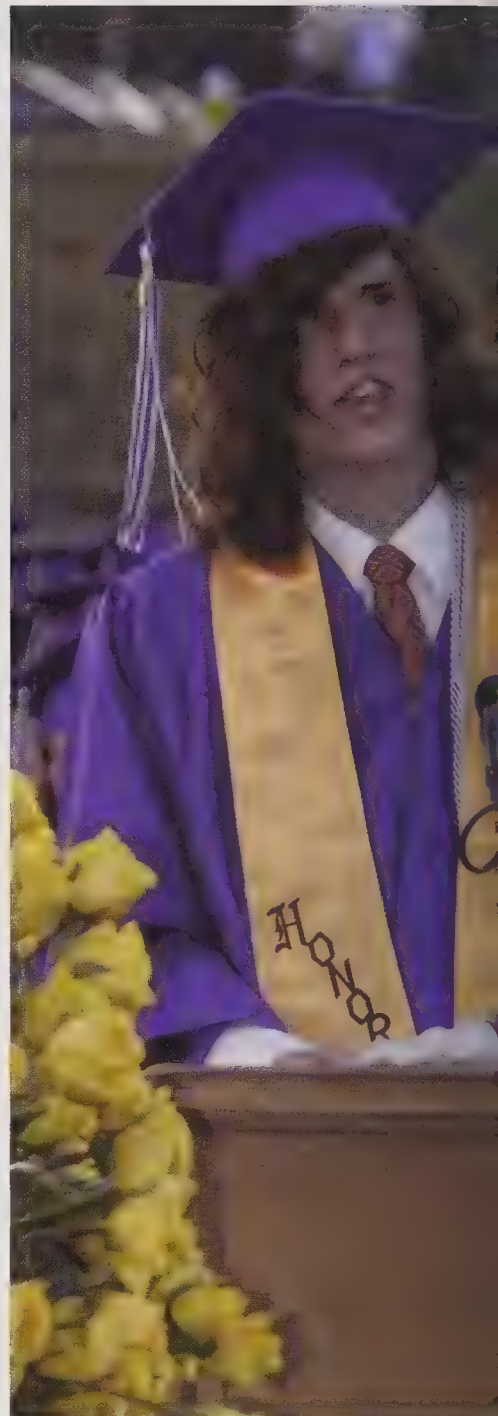
Every high school student anticipates the end of every day, every week, every year, but most of all, they anticipate the end of their high school career. Even though they're having a great time with their friends, there will be a part of them that's ready to grow up and move on.

"I'm ready to move on to anything other than high school," Junior Michael Wuttke said. Some students, however, have a fresher perspective on school. Freshman Shelby Roberson said, "I love my friends so much and I don't want to leave them." Upperclassmen might suggest that she hasn't experienced enough of high school to be ready to leave.

Many spectators were anticipating a fireworks show at the 2006 Graduation, one of the high points of the ceremony. The fireworks were a fairly new addition to North Henderson High's graduation ceremony, making their second appearance, and will hopefully continue on as a tradition at the school. "I think the fireworks show was awesome. It was probably my favorite part. I hope they do that for us," Senior Tessa Lewis said. She was a Junior Marshal in last year's graduation ceremony.

Junior Marshals "babysat" last year's seniors as they prepared them for their graduation day. They had to keep the seniors orderly, a more than challenging task. Many graduates were anticipating the moment their name was called, the moment that would define the last thirteen years of their lives. The long awaited finish line.

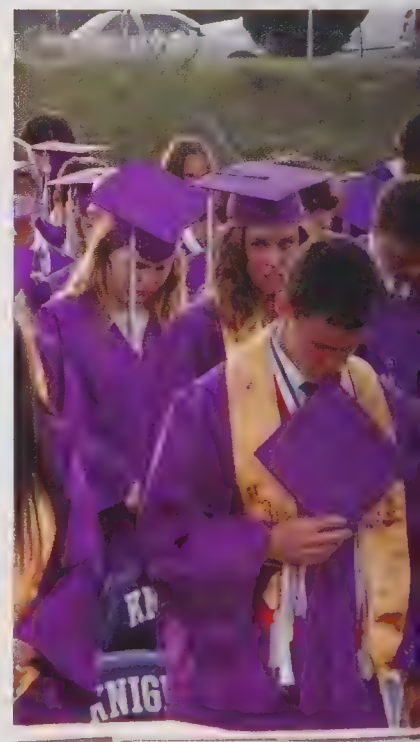
The Class of 2006 has already moved on and are anticipating the next chapter of their lives beyond college or whatever else they will fill their time with for now.



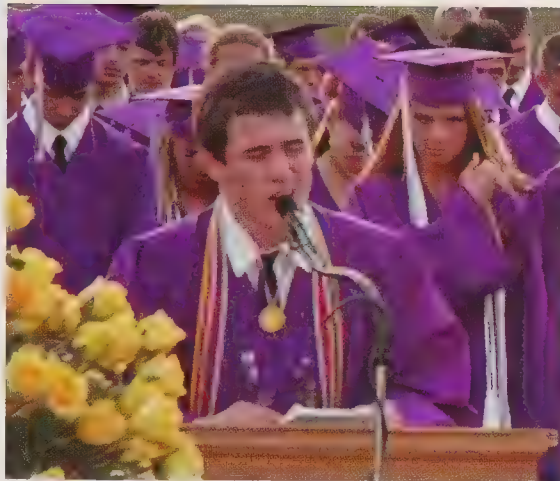
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(right) Graduates Justin Lamb, and Justin Shrader bow their heads with respect as the opening prayer is said. (far left) Jackie Corn shakes the superintendent's hand while sporting his shades. (left) Hillary Corn receives her diploma with a hand shake from Mrs. Friend.

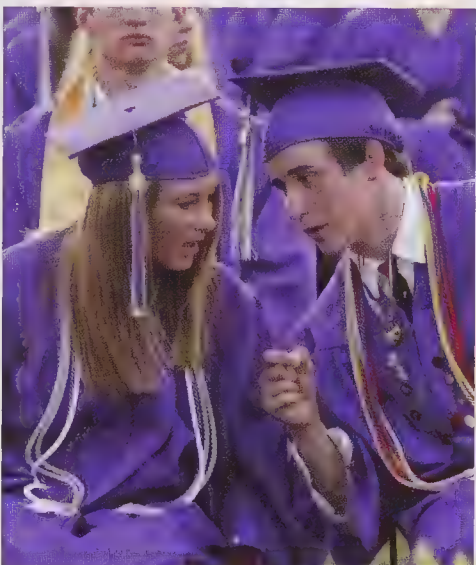


Delivering his speech is Tom Carnot. Tom was valedictorian of the



Saying a prayer before the 2006 graduation is Student Body President Wayne Nock. Wayne was one of the more active seniors of the 2006 class.

Ms. Hannah and Mr. Edney look on with the Class of 2006 as a student makes an inspiring speech. This was Ms. Hannah's first NHHS graduation.



where will you be after graduation

1. Which class is your favorite?

- a. AP Government
- b. Carpentry
- c. ISS

Mostly A's

You're going to college

2. What is your favorite color?

- a. White
- b. Blue
- c. Orange

Mostly B's

You're going in the workforce

3. After the school day is over, where are you?

- a. Student Council Events
- b. Flipping burgers
- c. Smoking behind the mall

Mostly C's

You're going to prison

GRADUATION





K I N G and



Q U E E N



Nervously biting her fingernails Freshman Shelby Roberson, accompanied by Julia Wallace, was the starting act of halftime as they rode past the fans. This was their first time being chosen as part of the queen's homecoming court. Still these two young ladies seemed to enjoy it. "Getting to ride in my dream car and seeing everyone supporting me and knowing that I'm representing my classmates was my most memorable moment at homecoming," said Julia.

For most on court, this was the first time crossing under the archway, but for a few, like Sophomore Nancy Aguilon, the routine was familiar. "I didn't think they would pick me two years in a row," said Nancy. Many, like Nancy, were very shocked to be chosen. "I thought someone prettier, more popular, or more sociable would win," said Julia.

Being on Homecoming court will always be a memory for those chosen yet it can also be quite scary and very nerve racking. "Going through the arch when everybody was cheering and taking pictures was the scariest part," said Freshman Shelby Roberson. Freshmen are usually the most nervous because they have never done anything to this extent before. Some like Sophomore Major Duckett feel like this was a piece of cake. "It wasn't complicated it was straight, they voted me and I just went along with it. I'm glad my fans voted for me. I had a great time," said Major.



Jumping up and down the freshman Cheer for their favorite homecoming elective during the pep rally of Friday, September 29th. (top center)

ALL HAIL!

THE KING AND QUEEN

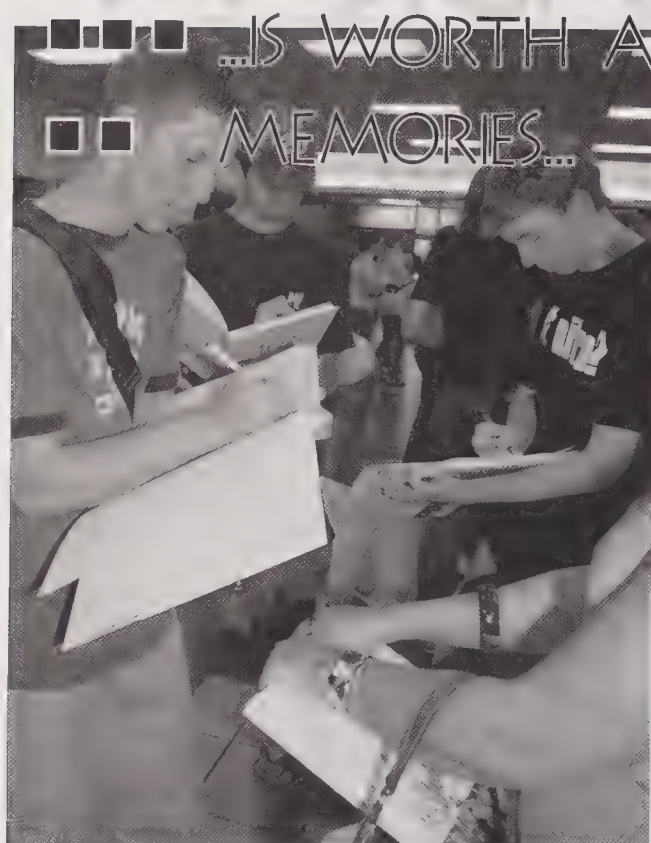


Front Row: Shelby Roberson, Julia Wallace, Lacy Peters, Nancy Aguillon, Christina Storm, Ciara Newman, Corey Williams, Kristen Young, Lacy Peters, Kasey Gibbs, Jordan Griffin.



Back Row: Bryan Cannon, Rayce Lamb, Jacob Hill, Canaan Cox, Cory Johnson, Major Duckett, Colton Pittilo.
Front Row: Kenneth Brant, Trevor Williams, Cory Justus, Valentin Deleon.

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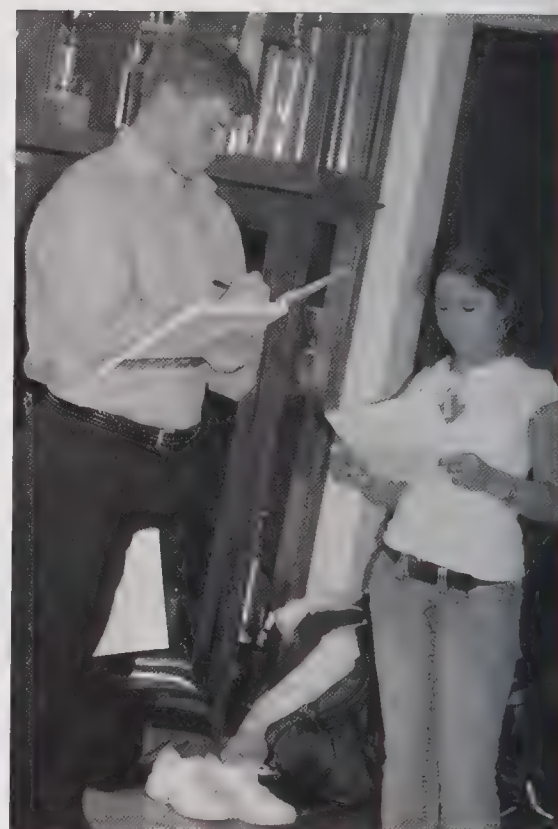


June 2, 2006. It was one of the most anticipated days of the year. Students came to school prepared for the excitement armed with smiles, memories, and, of course colored pens. It was yearbook day! Most upperclassmen were familiar with the tradition but for freshmen, this was a first. They have had days like these back in middle school, but only with their grade level. Not only were they able to get their yearbooks signed by their own grade level, but they were also able to get them signed by the rest of the student body as well.

Yearbook day was supposed to have been in the stadium, but, due to bad weather, it was held in the commons area instead. "I thought it was okay, but it was really hard to speak with everyone that I wanted to sign my yearbook," said Junior Jordan Griffin. "Still, I loved yearbook day. It's a way to share memories with each other." But not all the students liked being inside for signing. Senior James Wolk said, "I had to find my friends, and it took way too long. It was way too crowded." Yearbook day in the commons was a first for all the students.

The yearbook had a hand drawn cover which was made by Graduate Adam MCraw. This was the first year having a drawn white cover or a white cover. "I liked the cover because it was very unique," said Sophomore Marshelia Morrow. "We tried to stay away from the black and purple covers," said Senior yearbook editor Erin Finsel "After thirteen years, it's nice to have a change."

Yearbook day is a day to remember. Marshelia recalled her favorite part of yearbook day. "Sophomore, Brittany Bradford fell down in the lunch room. She fell from the top stair all the way to the bottom!" said Marshelia. As a day of firsts, this was a yearbook day that will never be forgotten.



Exchanging yearbooks. Juniors Caanon Cox and Jordan Griffin each write an end of the year message.

Laughing away. Sophomores Elizebeth Franklin and Amber Owen sign each others yearbooks.



(top) Acting like monkeys Sophmores Caleb Moore, Megan McCraw, and Kyle Kelly sign each others yearbooks.

(left) Sitting at the tables Senior Daniel Parks, along with last years graduates lets people come to him to sign his yearbook.



Having fun while signing her friends yearbook Junior Ashley Moses keeps a smile.

Writing an unforgettable message Junior Jacob Hill says his goodbyes for the year.



Which Superlative are you?

1. Its wednesday night, where are you?

- a. at home working on an extra credit project
- b. Wingnight with a gang
- c. Still at practice

Mostly A's
Most likely to Succeed!

2. Why do people want to sit next to you in class?

- a. You make a great tutor
- b. You crack the best jokes
- c. You tell action packed stories of fridays game

Mostly B's
Most unforgettable!

3. Who is your role model?

- a. Bill Gates
- b. Robin Williams
- c. Michael Jordan

Mostly C's
Most athletic!

FUN & :LAUGHTER

...WITH SPIRIT...

Spiritweek is a time to go insane! It's time to wack out that hair, show college pride, copycat a best friend, put on a poodle skirt, or go all out in purple and gold! The homecoming theme was "Rock the Night Away," with a 50's twist. Sadly enough, 50's day was the only day that lacked participation. Sophomore Amanda Jordan said, "I didn't like 50's day. It required too much planning."

But whatever 50's day lacked was made up for on twin day. For Seniors Eric Glisson, Kenneth Brandt, and Jared Harris, it was their day to shine. Dressed in fat suits, they were the life of the school for the day. Sophomore Chelsea Nix said, "I thought it was absolutely hilarious knowing someone would go as far as wearing a fat suit during spirit week."

Most of the teachers did a good job at entertaining their students as well. On hat day, English teacher Ms. Mathis showed up in a cat shaped hat, with kitty ears and all, while other teachers decided to stay out of the festivities. Ms. Bailey commented, "When I was in high school we didn't have spirit week and I think it's a great opportunity for students to dress up."

Not everybody feels the same way; many students don't even dress up. Freshman Cory Carlisle said, "I don't really care for it. Why do we have to wait for a specific day to dress like we want when we could do it any day?"

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How low can you go? Senior Paige Crawford bends his back as much as he can in order to win the event for the Seniors. Unfortunately it didn't pay off in the end, the seniors didn't win the limbo.



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Doing his best to find the jelly beans in a pile of whip cream is Sophomore Kalob Crawford. Kalob and partner, Sophomore Shellsea Frandson did their best to beat the other competition but in the end they didn't win.



Juniors Kendall Edwards, Canaan Cox, Bryan Lamb and Kalem Lewis pull Junior Jordan Griffin with all they've got. In the end they ended up with a victory in the sheet race.



Trying their best to beat the Seniors at the Tug O War are teachers John Hnatow, Stacey Pielock, Rachel Childs, Fran Nelson and Luke Manuel.

Senior Leah Cagle fills up the plates that contain two little jelly beans with yummy whipped cream. This event was the one of the funniest events to watch.



Sophomore Amber Curd scrambles as fast as she can. Since the sophomores were the only ones that participated in this event they automatically won.



A DAY IN THE

Jed Freeman

6:00am Wake Up and Take Shower

6:20am Get dressed and Brush
Teeth

6:50am Eat Breakfast

7:15am Get in car and drive to
school

7:35am Arrive at school and go to
school meetings

7:55am Go to Anatomy

9:40am Make my way to Discrete
Math

11:18am Head to English IV Honors

11:45am Run to lunch as fast as
possible

12:10pm Go back to English with
Mrs. West

1:20pm Waltz in to Yearbook and
get stressed out by deadlines.

3:00pm Head to practice and run
until my legs go numb.

4:30pm Get in my car and get home
ready to work on hours of Homework

7:30pm Eat once again burnt pizza

11:15pm Go to bed

Princess of the day goes to
Sophomore Lauren Hunt who
decided to show her spirit
on Spirit Day by wearing
a tiara and fairy wings.
Throughout spirit week
there were many unique
outfits, all the way from fat
suits to fairies.



Senior Jed Freeman and
Junior Hannah Williams
show some spirit and
scream for the team. Jed
and Hannah are both
part of the spirit Squad.



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For those who aren't into dressing up, there's always field day. And no one can resist an hour and a half of free time at the football field. Whether students are talking to friends in the bleachers or participating in the events on the field, there is always something to do. Students got the chance to participate in events including the scooter racing, sheet drag, limbo, balloon popping, cow patty tosses, tug of war, and much more.

The cow patty toss was an attention grabber to almost everyone. Groans were heard throughout the stands, as people questioned if it was really cow poop or not. "It was so funny, all the expressions on peoples faces.

Everyone was like 'Is it really a cow pie?' People looked so grossed out," said Sophomore Shellsea Frandsen.

So, whether a fan of spirit week or not, it's still the pride of our football season. The funny outfits, crazy chants, and outrageous field events are what make North's school pride stand out above all.



Sophomore Alice Perez, who is also the Sophomore President, shows her spirit by wearing a huge 'fro on crazy hair day, while she shows some pictures to a couple of friends.



Putting together her homeroom's spirit links is Freshman Kasey Minnick. Spirit Links not only showed our schools spirit but it ended up being a great decoration for teachers' rooms.



SPRIT WEEK

LOOKING BACK:

...ON THE YEARS...

Childhood has come and gone for seniors. Many don't remember when they were younger and others do. Still many can remember their favorite things to do when they were small. "[I loved] building forts with my brother because it allowed me to spend time with him," said Senior Corey Williams. Some spent time with their friends and relatives while others preferred to spend time alone.

Many liked to have places where they could play or just hangout. "I had a little corner in the closet at my grandma's house. I liked to draw on the wall and I drew an imaginary friend," said Senior Sarah Ray. Having a special place is what every kid would want even if it's outside or on school property. "[I liked] my school's playground because we used to do jump rope and all that stuff," said Senior Shanice Marshall.

As children, everyone had a dream toy. "I always wanted that doll that you would stick food in her mouth and she would chew it up and it came out of the back of her head. They wouldn't get it for me because there was a story on the news about these little girls who got it caught in their hair and had to get their hair cut off," said Sarah, with a laugh.

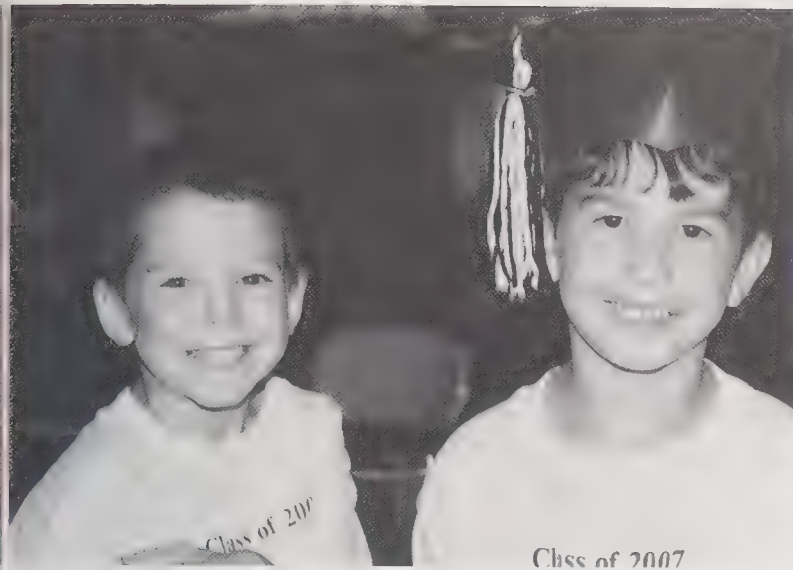
As kids, seniors used to imagine what they would look like once they were older. "I never really realized that I, someday, would be one of those big high school kids! I still don't feel that I'm as old or tall as they were," said Senior Erin Finsel. Still, being a kid is a once in a lifetime opportunity and is often missed.



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(above) Seniors Logan Brackett and Christina Storm at a middle school field trip for being Student of the Month.
(right) Jay Pryor, Erin Finsel, Cameron McCraw, Michael Manning doing a mock trial in eighth grade.





Class of 2007

Top Photo: Jay Pryor smiling for the camera.



Logan Brackett dressed up for one of the many projects at Edneyville Elementary.



Top photo: Jay Pryor and Logan Brackett at Kindergarten Graduation.
Left Photo, from left: Kayla Swann, Amy Lancaster, Alicen Hyder and Jennifer Wolfe during spirit week.



A gradeschool photo of Jay Prindle.



Michael Doll, Alicen Hyder, Kayla Donaldson and Cody Rogers before 2006 Prom.



Seniors Michael Doll and Alicen Hyder stop for a photo before prom. Alicen and Michael have been dating since middle school.



From Left to Right: Ciara Newman and Amber Wilson holding a McCaffey's menu.

A DAY IN THE LIFE

Of A Horseback Rider

6:30am Get up and throw on some clothes as fast as possible

6:40am Run to the barn and mix horses feed

6:50am Give horse breakfast

7:10am Turn horse over into pasture

7:25am Run as fast as possible back up to the house

7:30am Change into school clothes cause barn clothes have horse slobber on them.

7:50am Arrive at school safely

8:00am-3:00pm School

3:05pm Get in car and drive back home

3:20pm Get horse out of pasture and bring to barn

3:30pm Get horse all saddled up and take down to the ring

4:15pm Have one heck of a time riding your horse.

5:30pm Get horse unsaddled and head back up to the house

6:15pm Homework and Supper

7:00pm Grab shower

7:30 Watch some TV

9:30 Go to bed, ready for a new day



Junior Sarah
Willingham poses with
her horse Hank.

SIX LEGS

...ONE BLUE RIBBON...



Focusing on her next jump is Sophomore Shellsea Frandsen and her horse Fenix. This event took place at Hannon Field in Tryon.

First prize goes to... Winning a trophy is just one of many joys of being in a competition doing one of the things students love the most. Many students that are in competitions have started many years ago. "I started riding horses when I was 13 and I'm just now considered an intermediate competitor," said Sophomore Chelsea Nix. It takes a while for students to earn certain positions in competitions, but the longer they stay in their sport, the higher placing they get and the better they become.

Students in a competition are always learning something new. "I have been showing horses for most of my life and I'm still learning and improving myself in every show," said Senior Megan Brooks. After competing for several years students learn more about what they are doing. The more they practice the more they improve and the better they get. Students choose a competition that they love and that really brings out their personalities. They give all they've got and they do not hold anything back. Doing their best is all that matters to them. Competitions show how hard and how much time a student spends preparing for a show. "[You either] train hard, work hard or go home," said Megan.

Winning first prize may be one of their dreams, but by doing a competition that they love they are making one of their dreams come true. "Whether you win or loose, you're already a winner because you've gone beyond what others call inadequate, and tried your best," added Chelsea. "It is not about the trophies, it is about having fun."



Sophomore Chelsea Nix gets in sync with her horse. Trainers and their horses are already winners whether they win or lose because they've gone beyond what others consider adequate," explains Chelsea.



Senior Megan Brooks poses with her horse outside of the Ag. Center before a class.

OUT-OF-SCHOOL
COMPETITIONS

BEST ANGLE

IT'S ALL ABOUT STYLE...

Method, manner, approach, technique, and of course, fashion, are listed as synonyms for style. They all fit under the "style" category. Style is one's technique in approaching the everyday manner of fashion, translating into whatever is thrown on before running out the door in the morning. Everyone has their own perception of style, so who's to know if their ideas are universal? That's why we're throwin' out labels this year. Individuals should define themselves, and not be defined by anyone else.

Junior Cassandra Freeman and Senior Leah Cagle like to take the practical approach and go with nice, affordable clothing. This is the way many parents prefer the quest for clothing be, but some teenagers will insist on having those pants from Hot Topic or that bathing suit from American Eagle that costs a few pretty pennies. "The way people look at you is very important," Junior Morgan McMinn says. Junior Dexter Blackwell and Senior Eddie Montez have like many others, fallen victim to fashion, admittedly spending up to \$200 every two weeks. Some students go with the latest trends, while others choose not to. "The mall is my playground; everything is fair game," Senior Kyl Labelle said. Sometimes, having a unique sense of style can be the cause of ridicule. "My mom makes fun of me. Once, she asked is she was going to have to start picking out what I wear," Junior Chelsea Erskine said. Chelsea is known for her unique style and clothing combinations.

Many students go to different store to get a variety of clothes in order to mix up their style and have fusion of what they like. Having a unique style that is duplicate-free is a good thing. Everyone will be heard, and always remembered.

"I take what I can get. I try to get pieces of clothing that people don't notice if I'm wearing the same thing. I don't have as much money to spend on clothes," said Junior Cassandra Freeman.



"I'll be who I want to be. I shop for my clothes at anywhere from Wal-Mart to the Mall, and I buy any style of shoes. I like baggy clothes because they're more comfy," says Aaron Stuart. Aaron's style is laid back and simple.



(top) I would define my style as 'Classy and Sporty'. My mom probly influences my style the most, shes really stylish," says Junior Morgan McMinn. (left) "If I go to the Asheville mall I go to Abercrombie or Dillards. If I go somewhere else it's Sacs or Neiman Marcus," said Junior Dexter Blackwell.



(Left) "My style is unfluenced by Paul Walker, an actor in Fast and the Furious because he got great style and fashion. There's a hole in my pants because my wallet is so heavy and paint from painting the field," says Senior Tyler Walker.

(below) "I just wear what I like and what I think is fun. I try to wear styles I haven't seen before. I never pay a lot of money for my clothes. I'd rather have a closet full of clothes than two or three expensive outfits," says Senior Leah Cagle



Kyl LaBelle?

He's a sword fighting kid with a lot of personality. Kyl loves all kinds of music, except for rap. He plays the drums like no other and hopes to be in an underground metal band some day. He spends a lot of time outside coming up with ideas for potential novels.

"Abuse makes me superior"

what's your style?

1. What color do you wear most?

- a. pastels
- b. black
- c. camo

2. What brand of clothing do you wear?

- a. American Eagle
- b. Morbid Threads
- c. Carhartt

3. Where do you shop?

- a. Abercrombie
- b. Hot Topic
- c. Wal-Mart

Mostly A's
You're a prep!

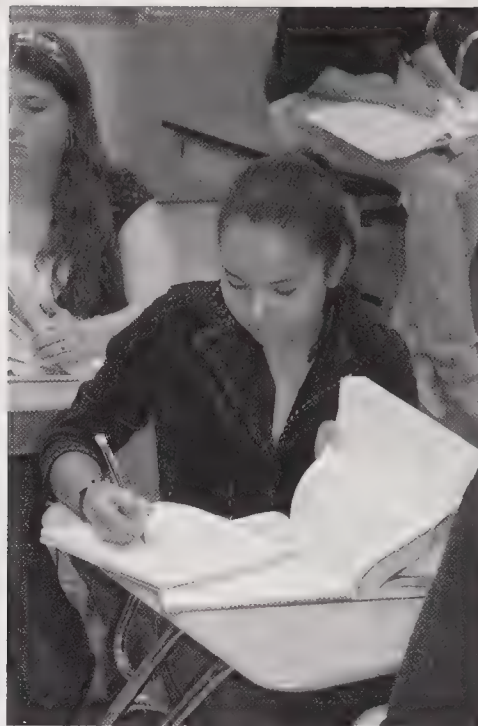
Mostly B's
You're a Goth!

Mostly C's
You're a Redneck!

Nobody influences my style. I come up with it on my own. Usually I get my clothes from thrift stores, yard sales, and free things. I usually don't plan what I'm going to wear. Sometimes I try on three things, my mom likes to make fun of me. Once she asked if she was going to have to pick out what I wear.



STYLE



(right) Cheering at the football game, Junior Dimitriy Demchuk, Sandra Alkemper have fun at the homecoming game with their friends.

(Left) Celebrating her fifteenth birthday also known as a Quincenera, Nancy Agullion, enjoys her family and friends company as they all take pictures together.

(bottom left) Having a blast at field day, Junior Raven Patel, and Sophomore Mari Perez hang out with their friends.

(bottom center) Doing a classroom project, David Nieto, and Jacob Hill help each other out.



At every game spirit squad did their best to pump up the team by yelling at the top of their lungs with excitement.



SAME SCHOOL :

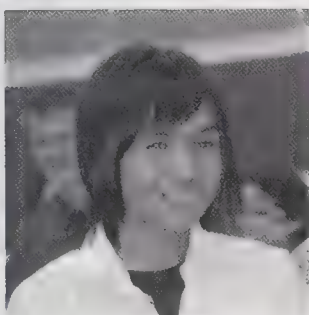
...DIFFERENT CULTURES...



Students from North Henderson come from many places. Some of them come from Mexico; some come from across the world. Leaving a country where someone has lived for so long can be hard. Adapting to the land, schools, and language is especially hard for those who have grown up speaking a different language. "It took me about four months to learn, so I think it was easy," said Freshman Jose Moreno, who came from Mexico.

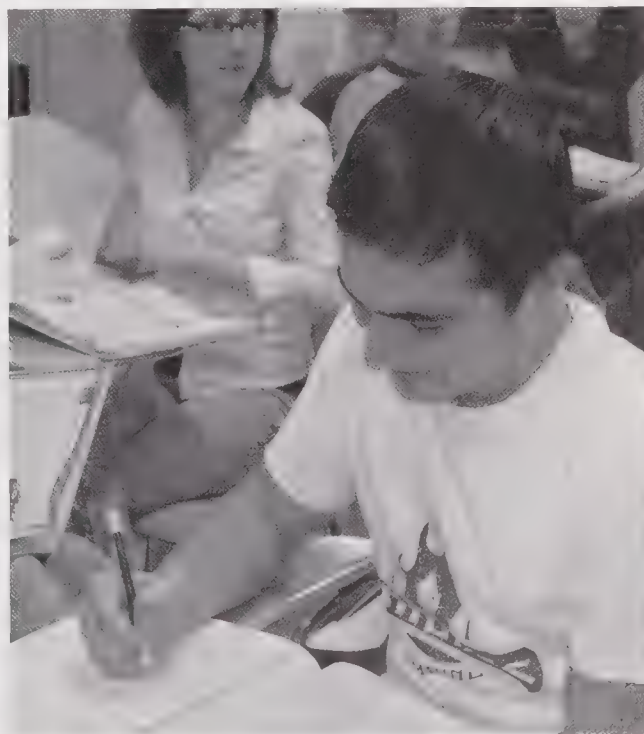
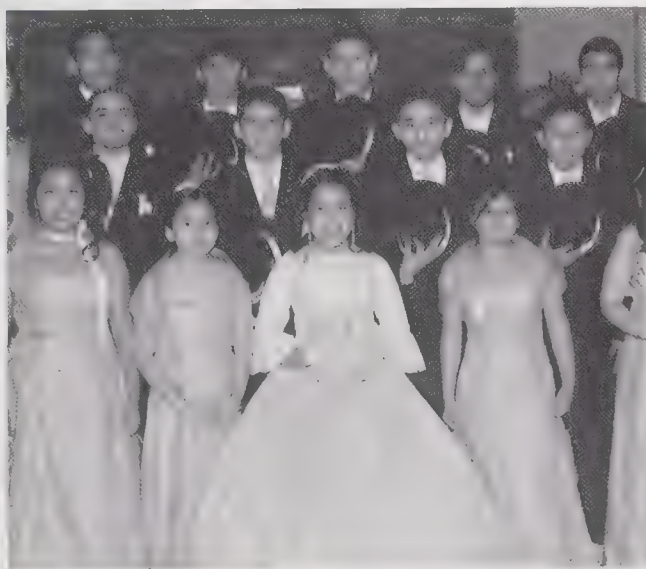
It is not unusual for students to become homesick when they have come from a different country. Leaving one's home can be extremely difficult. "It was hard to leave [Mexico] because I was leaving all of my family," said Freshman Sagrario Nieto. Many others don't think the move was very hard because they don't remember very well. "I came to the U.S at the age of two so I didn't really know what was going on," said Sophomore Yessica Padilla.

People from across the world have different types of clothes, food, and languages. "All the clothes in India are very dressy and in the United States you wear short mini skirts or open clothes," said Freshman Nerali Patel. "The clothes here are not as classy as were I come from," said Senior Marco Sanabria, who came from Mexico. Leaving one's homeland is sad. So many bring memories with them. Memories of homeland are special and should never be forgotten.



(left) Smiling away, Freshman Daniel Vann enjoys another day of school.

(Bottom right) Sitting in class Dimitriy Demchuk works on his classwork.



ROCK ON : ■■■

■■■ 625 TRIES TO MAKE IT BIG

Every Sunday night, five boys cram into a tiny bedroom and set up their instruments. It's time for The 625 to practice. "The idea started in the eighth grade with Corey and I," said Senior vocalist and guitarist Garrett Bureson. "We have had four or five different names. The 625 has been our name for about one and a half years now."

Being together so often seems like it could be very taxing on a band. "Our relationships date back years so we're naturally close friends," explains Garrett. "The main struggle is making the best decisions for the band." Senior drummer Corey Denham agrees. "We're all very creative people and want to contribute different ideas," he explains. "We all have a little bit of an ego and tend to think that our ideas are the very best ideas. There's a lot of voting and we can usually just compromise and it works. We've grown up over the years and are able to deal with that now." As a band, the boys have to be able to work together when writing songs. "Sometimes the rehearsals get a little heated, but that's all normal," said Garrett.

The boys use "the very evil" Myspace to promote themselves. They can post bulletins reminding their online friends when shows are coming up, write blogs to keep their fans updated on their recording process and meet other bands. "We have also used the ancient promotion tactic of flyer making," added Garrett. While they have yet to get the big crowds that they desire, things are looking up for them. "To have been a band for so long, we are just now getting good show opportunities all over the place," said Garrett.

The 625 is currently working on putting a press kit together to hand out to new venues to get the idea of what kind of music the band plays. "You have to have a good recording, which is hard to do," explains Corey. "We're recording right now and it's expensive. Coming up with the money is hard but we all work the fast food gig." Occasionally, the boys get some money from a show but that always goes right back into the band.

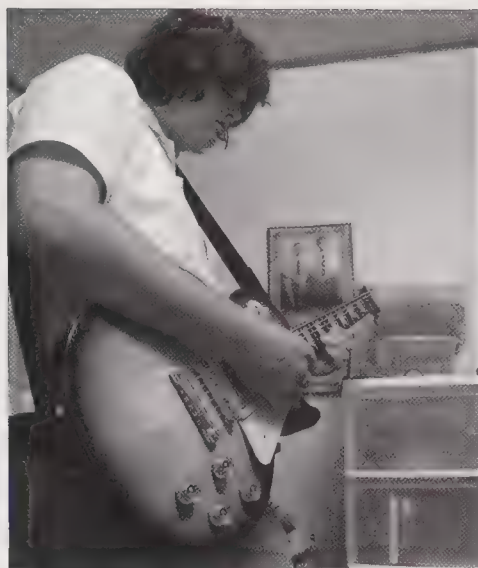
Senior Corey Denham plays hard during a 625 practice. "My favorite show was at Jackson Park last summer because that was our first good turnout," said Corey.



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Senior Justin Chillington works on getting the right sound at one of the 625 band practices. Justin is the bass player for the band.





Presenting the 625...(from left) Seniors
Justin Chillington, Corey Denham

and Garret Burleson
Michael Alvarez

what kind of star ARE YOU

1. Which movie is your favorite?

- a. School of Rock
- b. Elizabethtown
- c. Raise your voice

Mostly A's

You're a Rock Star!

2. Who rules the music world?

- a. ACDC
- b. Kenny Chesney
- c. Justin Timberlake

Mostly B's

You're a Country Star!

3. What's in your pocket?

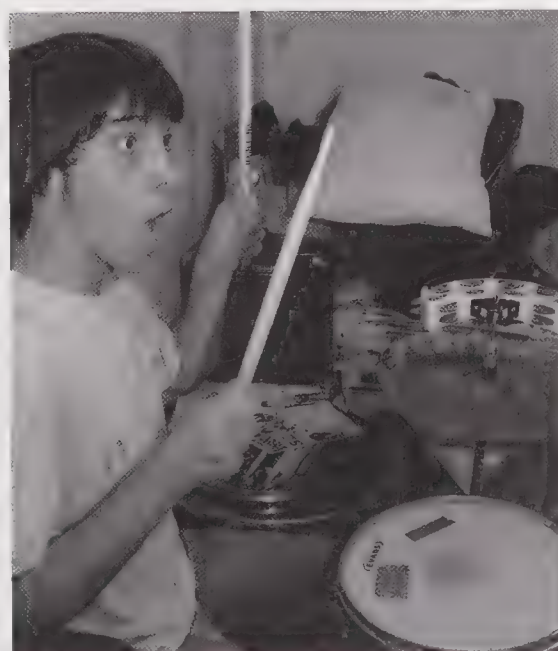
- a. A flyer for a concert
- b. A hat in my back pocket
- c. Notes passed during English class

Mostly C's

You're a Pop Star!



(top left) Senior John Caudale and Michael Alvarez practice on a Sunday night. (top right) Senior John Caudle rocks out on the Bass, doing his best to create the best sound. (top middle) Senior Garret Burleson and Michael get in sync. (left) "We've been together for about three years. We have arguments but usually we get along," Said Garrett.



Playing the drums is Corey Denham. Corey also plays the drums for Jazz Band.

CHA-CHING: ■■■

■■■ ...WE'RE MAKING MONEY...

Taking a job while in high school may not be ideal for most students who want to focus on school or their social lives; however, some do take jobs to support their social lives and possible higher education. Face it, life is not exactly cheap. Parents try to put emphasis on managing a budget, but teenagers rarely understand until they've had a job of their own. There are many reasons why students get jobs, but most of the reasons are because their parents asked them to and because they really needed the job. "[I chose this job] because my friends work there," said Senior Ben Moss, who is a cashier at K-mart. Having a job is not always fun but it allows students to get the money they want to spend how they choose.

There are many down sides to having a job. Having a job often takes away much loved time with family and friends. Many students think that they are not paid enough, but agree that it is better than not being paid at all. "I get a paycheck [but] it's not enough," said Senior Jessica Dorn, who works at Fashion Bug. Because of taxes, paychecks appear lower, a popular complaint among teenagers. Some places only hand out paychecks once a month, unlike many fast food places who pay their employees every week. "I don't get paid every week," said Junior Cassie Thompson, a cashier at Panera Bread. "I only get paid seven dollars an hour though," she added.

With all the disadvantages that come with a job, there are also advantages that may outweigh that bad. Students learn how to be more responsible, which is a plus because it gets them ready for lives on their own. The more money they make, the more they get to spend how they please. Many students will spend their money on boyfriends, girlfriends, the movies or clothes. "[I get] money for the weekends and accessories," says Senior Kenneth Brandt.

Having a job in high school is not easy, and it may stink worse than anything, but it's worth it. Many seniors and other students get a job in a place that says a lot about them. "I love my job because I love shopping," says Senior Kayla Swann; who works at Maurices. Without the money students get from working, where would they get the money to go shopping or buy the things they want most? Maybe that's why having a job isn't so bad.

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Senior Cameron McCraw works after school at a shoe store organizing boxes. Cameron works hard to find a balance between school and work.



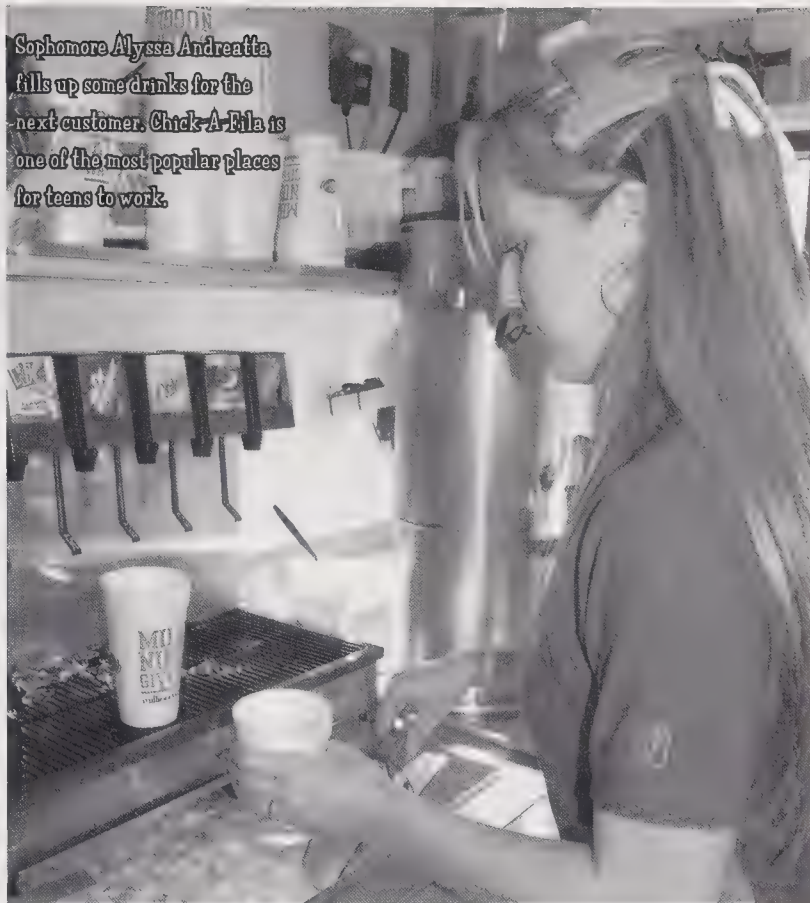
Kayla Donaldson works at Shoe Show with Cameron McCraw. Both of them work very hard to organize the store



Senior Jay Pryor gets ready to bag up a shirt at Bubba's General Store. Bubba's General Store is located in Chimney Rock.



Tiffany Williams and James
working at Indes.



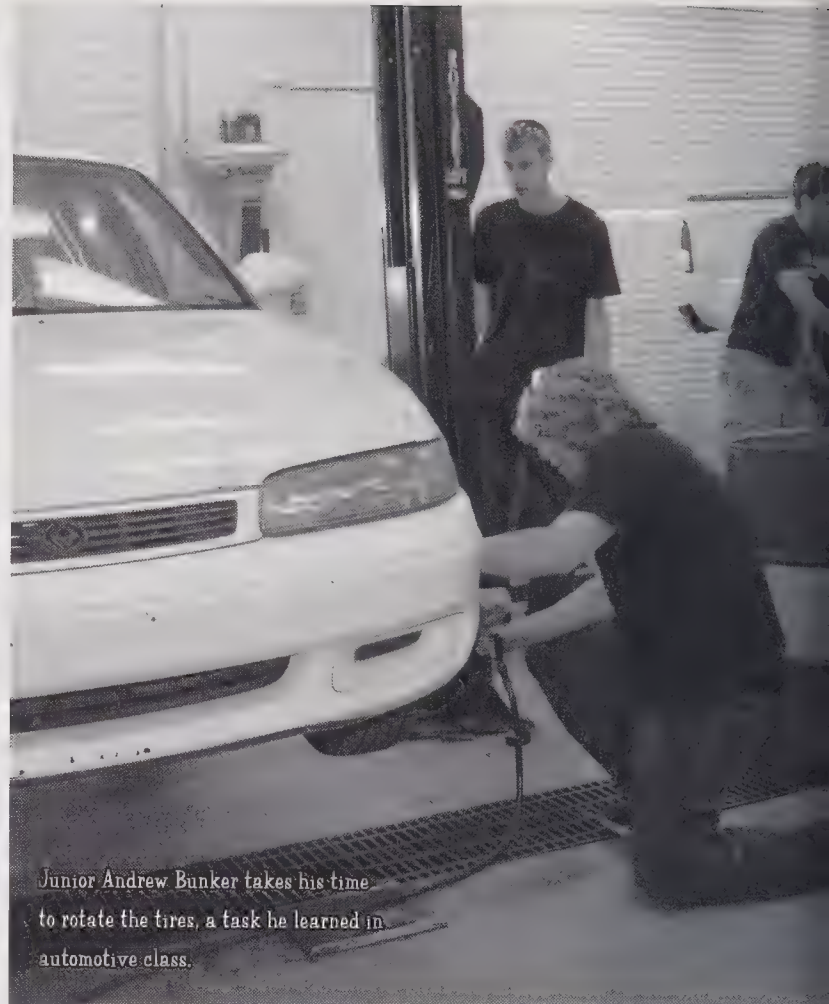
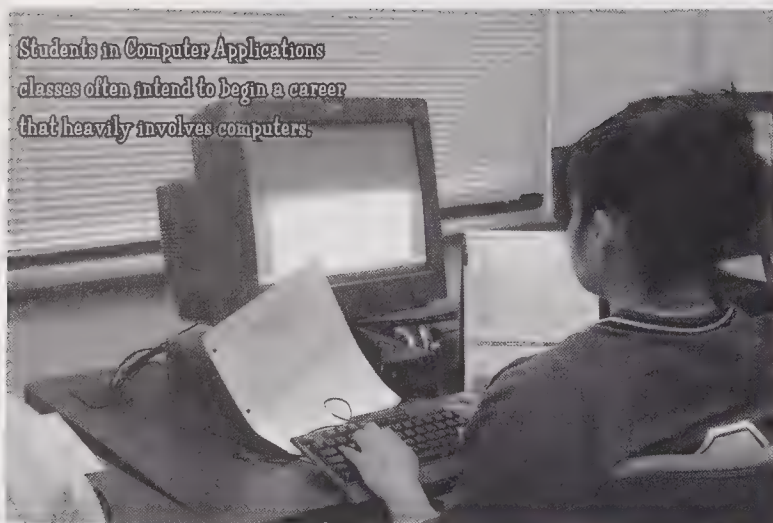
Sophomore Alyssa Andreatta fills up some drinks for the next customer. Chick-A-Fila is one of the most popular places for teens to work.



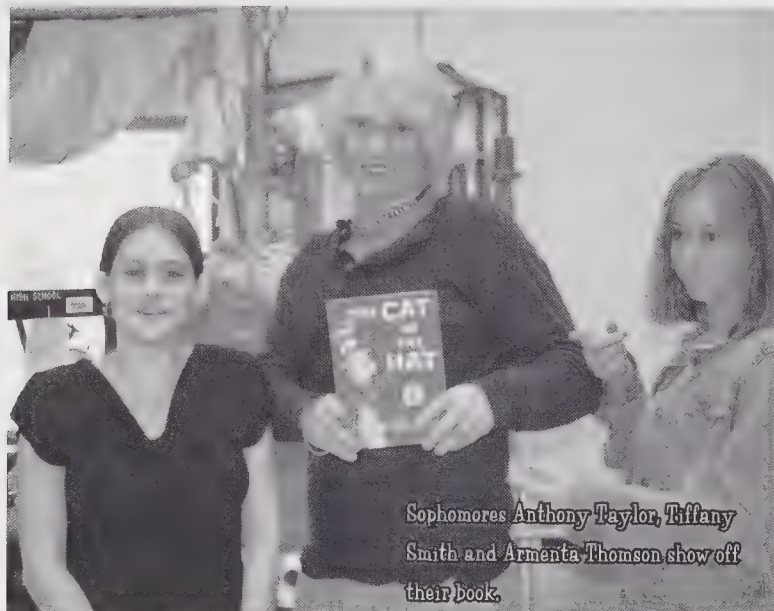
Senior Kayla Swann organizes and hangs up some blouses at Maurices inside the Blue Ridge Mall. Maurices has a very relaxed and laid back work environment.

JOBS

Students in Computer Applications classes often intend to begin a career that heavily involves computers.



Junior Andrew Bunker takes his time to rotate the tires, a task he learned in automotive class.



Sophomores Anthony Taylor, Tiffany Smith and Armenta Thomson show off their book.

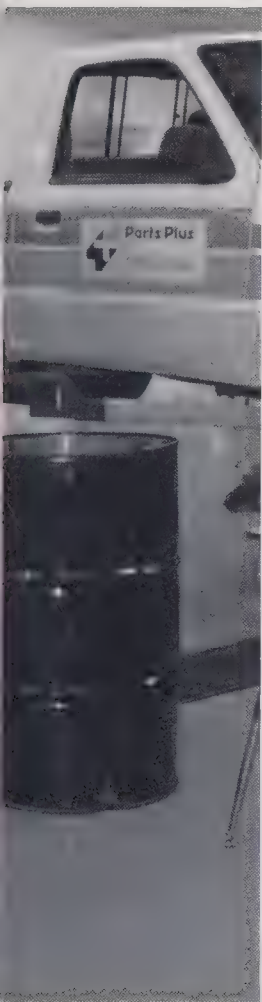


Left: Junior Vicky Stepp takes a nap in class
Bottom: Students in Auto Tech learn to rotate tires, a handy skill for the future.



Senior Erin McCraw thinks about the steps it's going to take to get the job done before working in Auto Tech.

DISTINGUISHED



WHO DO YOU

■ ■ ■ WANT TO BE WHEN
■ ■ YOU GROW UP??

For most of us, we face the question through our elementary, middle, and then, of course, high school years: what do you want to be? Most high school students are uncertain of what career they will pursue until they are faced with the different courses and classes available to them in high school and then college. A few, on the other hand, may have had their goals set since they were totting around in diapers.

Different things in life may interest people in what they want to do. Junior Cassandra Freeman said, "The Food Network inspired me to work in culinary arts. I can definitely cook some killer mac-n-cheese." Then, there are other events or inspirations that could ultimately lead a person down the path they really want. For Junior Brooke Taylor, her inspiration came in a form of entertainment. She said, "I've read some pretty life-changing books in the past. I hope to write some pretty great books when I grow old and live in a cabin, secluded in the wilderness of my mind."

Some parents seem to worry more about the pay than the love their children possess for their particular career. Living in a world based off income, we all think about how much money we will make if we go

into a certain field. Most parents want their kids to go into the medical field, legal, or some other business field, but sometimes the simple life is best. Brooke comments, "My parents are worried that writing books won't be the most pay. I've thought about a side job to help with money."

It's okay to not know what you want to be your high school years. While it is helpful to have an idea so you can take certain classes to be qualified for the job, it's perfectly acceptable, and normal, to have no idea. So with facing the many challenges of reaching your dream career, it's important to keep your mind set and enjoy what you love to do.



WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE?

Juniors Samantha Veruette and Kristen Gilbert hang up their sign in the hallway.

DESTINATION :

■■■ SCHOOL (YOUR OWN WAY)...

"I prefer my parents [bringing me to school] because the bus is crowded," said Freshman Lyndsie Cook. Most people would choose riding with their parents or friends over the bus because the bus is always so crowded, chilly, and takes too long to get to school. There are advantages to riding on the bus. Students are guaranteed to get to school on time and they don't have to use their own gas.

People think the bus is boring so to keep them occupied they listen to music, read, do homework, or catch up on their socializing time. To avoid a boring bus ride, Junior Michael Alvarez chooses to ride with his girlfriend to school because he does not own his own vehicle.

It's hard for students to get to school on time because they go to bed really late or just have a hard time waking up. Students stay up talking on the phone, playing on the computer, watching TV, or playing their favorite video game. Other students, like Sophomore Brittany Ramsey, have an easier time getting up because they consider themselves morning people.

There seems to be a lot of traffic at the light coming into the school. Junior Dalton Huntley said, "I think there should be someone directing traffic on Fruitland Road." Many parents would also appreciate assistance at the traffic light so they won't be late for work. Bad traffic is also very frustrating to students because it can make them late for their first period class. While, most of the time, North Henderson's students are very good about getting to school on time, transportation issues can still cause disruption in the classroom because of tardy students.

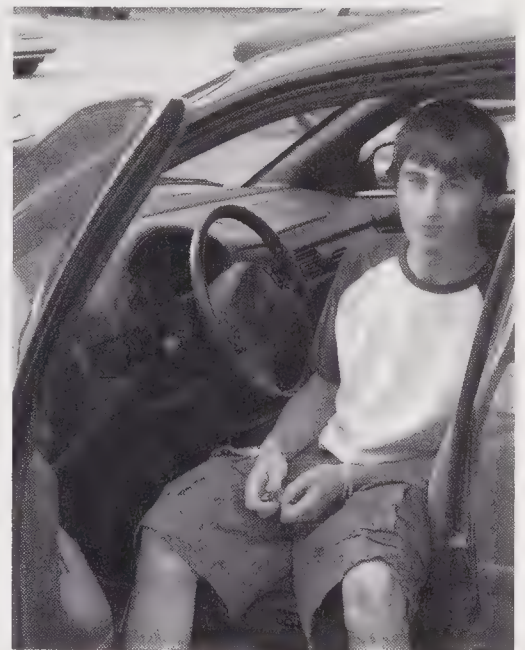


(above) Shuffling through her bookbag Senior Amy Lancaster has a hard time finding her keys. (right) Smiling, Seniors Michael Beamish and Adam McMinn stand behind their ride's car. (below) Starting up his car Senior Jay Pryor is happy he gets to go home.





Senior Sarah Ray jumps into car where
Sophomore Marc Lytle waits for her to take
him home. (above)
Sitting in his car Junior Turner Smith waits
for the traffic to clear so he can leave.



Relaxing in the back of a truck Junior Andy Orr and Junior
Dalton Huntley. (left)
Sophomore Caleb Moore and Senior Josh Drake ride home.
(bottom left)
Pointing to the old weird truck Sophomore Anne Traister rides
to school early for Student Council. (bottom right)

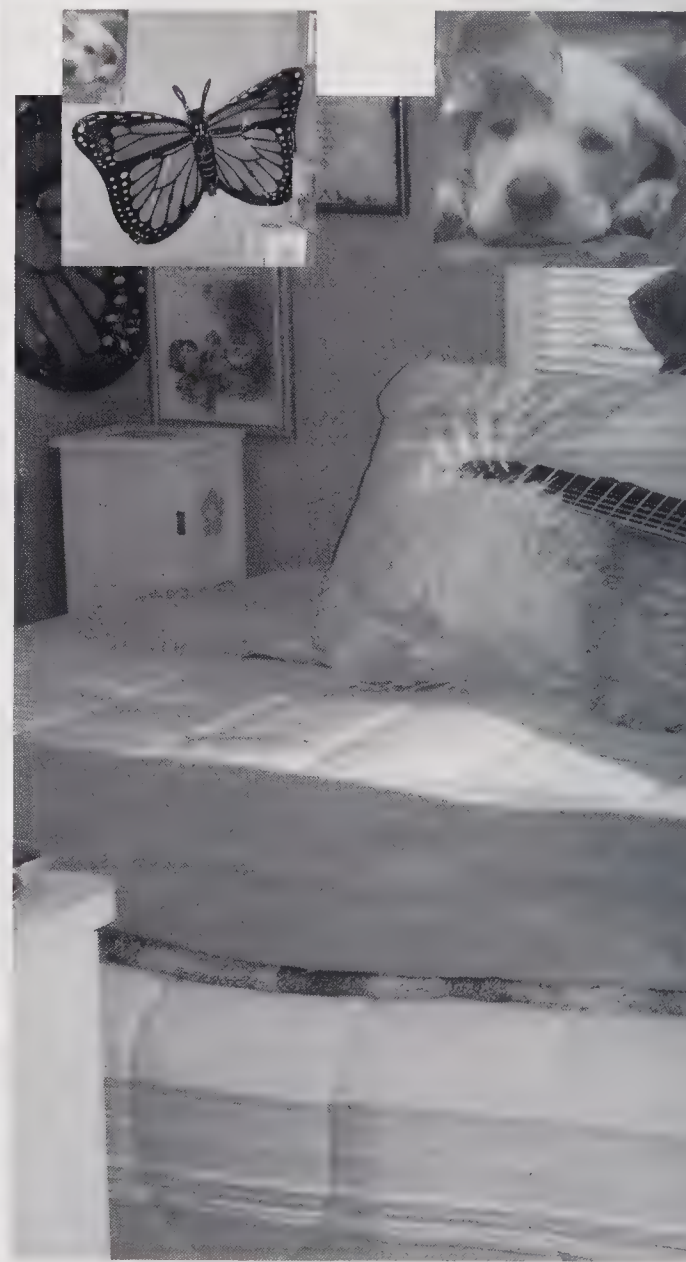


TRANSPORTATION



Above: Taking it easy Senior Susie Pryor kicks back on her comfortable bed after a hard day at school. Right: Sophomore Chelsea Nix's room not only shows off her passion for horses but also her love for music. Below: Loads of books, tons of paper and numerous lost pencils create a large conflict for Sophomore Chelsea Nix.

Right: Standing in her room Senior Jennifer Digangi is proud to show some of her personal awards. Below: Senior Jennifer Digangi admires her pictures that she keeps on her wall beside her bed.



Enjoying her free time in her room, Senior Karina Lee relaxes after doing a cartwheel on her bed.



Posing for his picture in his favorite chair, Junior Krantz McGlasson shows off the unique qualities of his room.



Some people express themselves through writing, some with clothes, and others express their personality through their bedroom. Usually when you walk into someone's bedroom you can tell what kind of person they are and what they like. Junior Jessica Stewart said, "My room is really, really colorful. It has a million pictures, a bunch of streamers, different colored lights, and a bunch of running stuff. Also my ceiling is tiled with different colored construction paper." Jessica's room is a reflection of her perky and fun personality and her interests in track and cross country.

On the other hand, Senior Karina Lee's bedroom expresses the total opposite of her personality. "Not enough dark colors! Darn mom thought I

needed more happiness in my life," said Karina. Her room is light green and lilac purple. "I would have loved to have spattered paint on the walls," she said. Sometimes people don't get to choose what they want in their bedroom; they just get stuck with what their parents choose.

Some people work very hard to make their rooms unique. "I have Batman bed covers and my walls are Carolina blue and covered with pictures," said Senior Amber Bradley. Some rooms, like Sophomore Sarah Willingham's are designed with a theme in mind. "My theme is lime green with horses and lots of swirlies," said Sarah. Everybody has a space that they can call their own!

ROOMS



REFLECT
WHO YOU ARE...

BEDROOMS

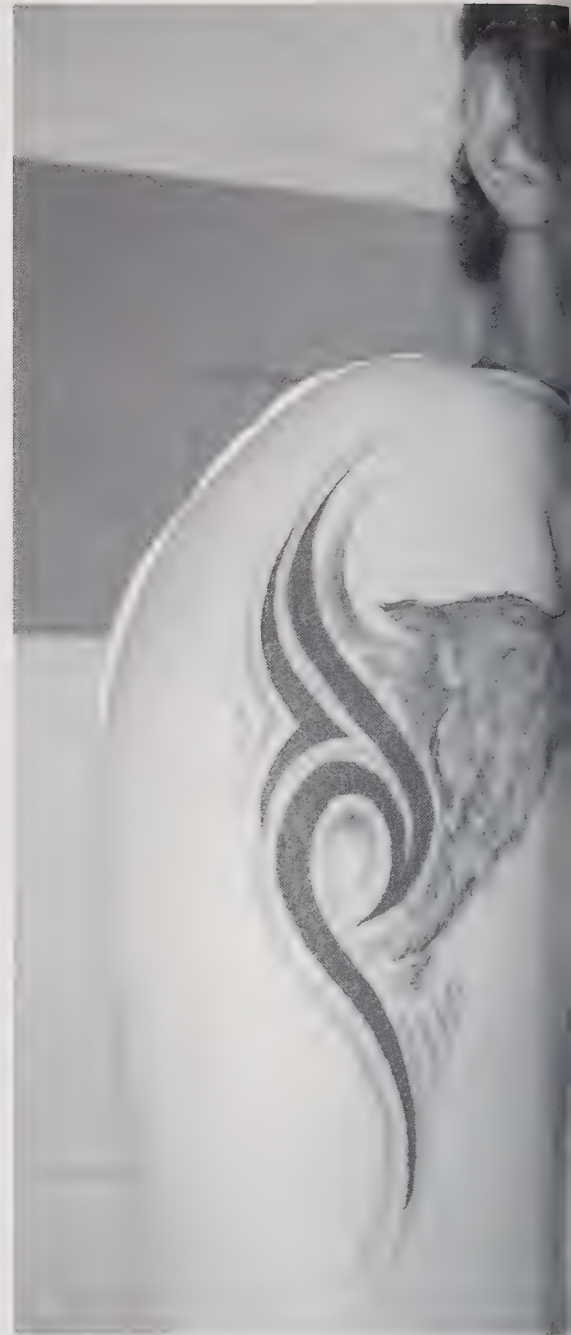




Top: Posing for her picture Freshman Manessa Ashburn shows off her crazy hair.



Above: Pointing her toes Junior Emily Hensley shows us her self done tattoo. Right: Senior Cory Stepp shows off his wolf tattoo on his arm and the cross on his upper back (below right).



Tattoos, piercings, and crazy hair are just a few ways that students choose to express themselves. Some people choose to stand out of the crowd because they get bored easily, like Freshman Manessa Ashburn. "I decided to make my hair crazy colors because I get bored with it always being the same and I need something new," she said. Junior Tony Turbyfill has done many wild things to his hair. "I have dyed my hair purple, pink, blonde, red, brown, blue, and green. I have had a green mohawk before. I also used to like spike up the back of my hair and cut the front really short. There was this one time I shaved my head and just left my bangs." It's always awesome to see someone who really doesn't follow the mainstream trends and are able to just be themselves.

Tattoos are another way that students are able to express themselves. Junior Emily Hensley has a tattoo on her foot of three stars; she also wants a tattoo of a butterfly on her shoulder. Most people's reasoning for getting a tattoo is to either remember a good time they had, or remember something that is close to them. Senior Cory Stepp said "I got a wolf on my arm because I used to have two wolves." Cory is showing his love for old pets by keeping the picture on his arm. "The tattoo I got is the word REDNECK across my back," said Senior Eric Glisson. "It doesn't really have a meaning and I don't know why I got it," said Eric. Many people who get tattoos on a whim sometimes regret their permanent makings, but sometimes end up in love with them. Eric said that he does slightly regret getting his tattoo. Many people believe that it is best to wait and get a tattoo when they're a little older because it will be on their bodies forever.

Students have to be at least eighteen or have their parent's permission to get a tattoo; unless they're daring like Emily and do it themselves. Emily said, "Getting my tattoo didn't really hurt; it was just kind of an annoying feeling." Some students did get their tattoos professionally done. They seem to disagree with Emily. "When I got my tattoo it felt like a constant burn. It hurt the worst when they hit my spine and starting shading it in," said Eric. Maybe doing a tattoo yourself is less painful than getting it professionally done.

People strive to be different from others. If everyone was the same, life would be so boring. Try something new, step outside the box.

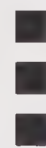


Left: Taking off his shirt to show us his tattoo Senior Eric Glisson has a tattoo of REDNECK written across his back.



Left: Junior Tony Turbyfill has his picture taken to show off his wacky hair-doo.

EXPRESSION



■■■ DO YOU STAND OUT
■■ AMONG THE CROWD?



(Below) Coach Williams kicks back after a grueling few minutes of dodgeball.



(Above) Junior Canaan Cox sits comfortably behind his microphone announcing the game to the audience.

(Below) Standing ready, Ms. Mathis decides who her next target will be. (Above) Coach Evans rests after playing nard.



(right) Mr. Gore and Mr. Evans make a mad dash for the "ammo" as the whistle is blown to start the game. (Above) The staff plans their strategy during a break.



alls from mid court, giving thier team an encouraging



(right) Mr. Edney readies to throw his ball at the next victim, while Coach Manuel waits patiently to be struck.



(Right) Coach Uy avoids getting hit as he tries to hit the students. (Left) Jay Prindle has a ball ready throw at a staff member



DISTINGUISHED



Between Junior Josh Goldstein doing crazy “commando roles” before throwing the ball, and Coach Uy jumping super high to dodge the balls, the student faculty dodgeball game is definitely fun to watch and participate in. “I purchased a ticket to get my name into the drawings, I definitely wanted to do it,” said Coach Hart. Teachers enjoy participating in the game because they finally get revenge on the students that back talked them all semester. “I decided I would play in the game when they told me I could hit students,” said Coach Evans, jokingly. Students enjoy playing in the game too. Not just because they get to hit the teacher that assigned way too much homework every night, but to show their classmates that they’ve got skills. “I played in the game because someone told me I wouldn’t do it, and I wanted to prove them wrong,” said Freshman Kayla Anders.

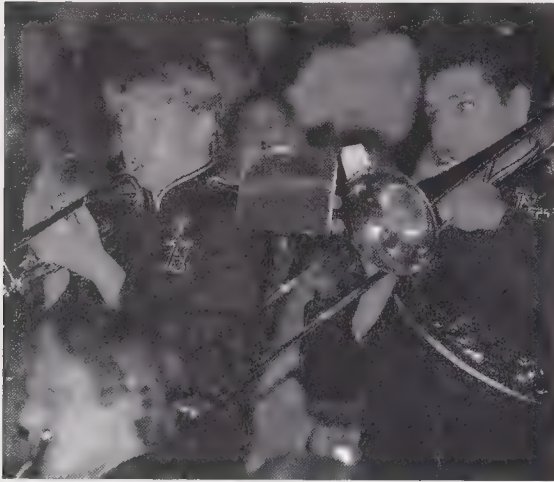
There were some hard hits taken by some of the students and the faculty. “I was only hit one time by [Senior] Trey [Nicholson],” said Coach Evans. Some were also very good at dodging balls, or they don’t come up close enough to get hit by anyone, like Freshman Keela Stepp. “I stayed in the back the whole time, and then I ended up being the last one standing,” said Keela. “It was pretty bad.” It might have not been a good idea for her to hide in the back the whole time, since it all came down to her in the end.

Sure the score says the Faculty won but we all know that the students just let them win because they felt bad for them. Coach Hart disagrees though, “The faculty won; the student/faculty dodgeball game is always won by the faculty. We are more accurate with our throws,” he said. Sure we’ll let them think that, but one year students will pull through and beat them fair and square. “I think the students won because the teachers are old and slow,” said Kayla. That is a little harsh but it is true that students are sometimes a lot faster because they are a lot younger than most of the teachers.

When it comes down to it the student/faculty dodgeball game is just funny to watch and exciting to participate in. Even though some may have went home a little sore it was still better than sitting in class.

HERE GOES:

■■■ LIONS,
TIGERS AND
BALLS! O’ MY!



Cheering on the football team, the spirit squad works to motivate the players. (top left and right) Marching towards the game Senior Alan Clancy, Juniors Revin Patel, Patrick Singtary, and Senior Tucker Rhinehart go to show school spirit by carrying the flags to the field. (top right) Getting excited for a play just made, Seniors Jay Pryor, Daniel Park, and Jed Freeman show their spirit for the school football

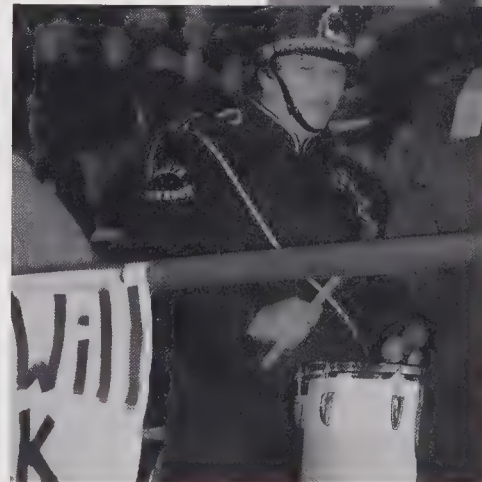


North Henderson's band plays at the Friday Night football game right after the team makes a touchdown. (above) Having a good time at the football game, the spirit squad cheers on the team to get them pumped up. (below)



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Sophomore Garrett Leech plays the drums to pump up the crowd and the players.



(above) North's Junior ROTC presents the colors before the game as everyone honors our country by standing to sing the National Anthem.



THIS IS THE: ■■■ HEADING FOR WHAT- EVER...



The Knights are down by one, there's 30 seconds left in the last quarter, fourth down; the players look to the stand for encouragement and, who do they see? The Spirit Squad! The Spirit Squad comes to as many sports events as possible. They yell until their throats are sore and they jump up and down until their feet hurt. "At all the pep rallies and games we paint our bodies up, run the flags after every touchdown and kickoff, and just tried to be as loud as we could," said Junior Ravin Patel. Painting up isn't the only way some students show their spirit, "I make t-shirts, paint my face, and decorate my car," said Junior Lacie Baker. Most members of the Spirit Squad said they liked to show spirit because it's fun "The team works hard in practice and we should be there to support them," said Junior Patrick Singletary.

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SPRIT

Another group that is responsible for raising school spirit is the cheerleaders! They help raise spirit by getting the fans and team ready for game night at pep rallies by coming up with cheers, stunts with signs, dances and chants. When the team is down, the cheerleading squad likes to use the cheer "Get Up and Go" to boost their spirits. "I don't think we help the team directly, but indirectly by rousing up the fans, and making them loud, which pushes the team to do better," said Senior Megan Wood. The cheerleaders are very dedicated to raising school spirit, even in the freezing cold, "The coldest game we've ever cheered at was Pisgah. It felt like it was -50 degrees outside," said Senior Kayla Swann.

Regardless of the weather or the points on the board, sports teams always have the support they need.



(above) Senior Bridget Sluder concentrates on decorating the wall to show her homeroom's school spirit.

(left) Sophomore Kelsey Sabo sets up the entrance to the homecoming dance as a Student Council project.



(right) Seniors Jason Moffit and Bridget Sluder get ready to tape up banners for the homecoming dance.



Comparing shoe sizes
Sophomore Nathan
MacMahan and Senior
Josh Drake for the race
win during a pep
assembly.

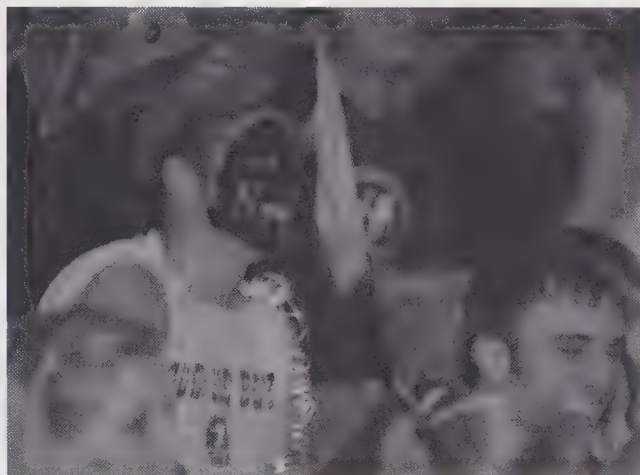


Junior Krantz McGlasson
attached ornaments to
the lunchroom ceiling so
the students can dance
the night away after the
homecoming game.



(above) Seniors Jay Prindle, Lydia Cox and Bradley Cole
prepare for the senior skit. Seniors are expected to have the
best skit so these three seniors know they have to bring their
'A Game'.

(left) Senior Eric Glisson and classmates enjoys watching the
competition between classes.



(right) Making the last preparations for setting up the homecoming dance
are sophomores Kelsey Sabo and Holly Babbitt.

(below) Senior Erin McCraw designs trinkets to hang from the ceiling for
the homecoming dance. They used a lot of music notes because the 50's
was known for its music.

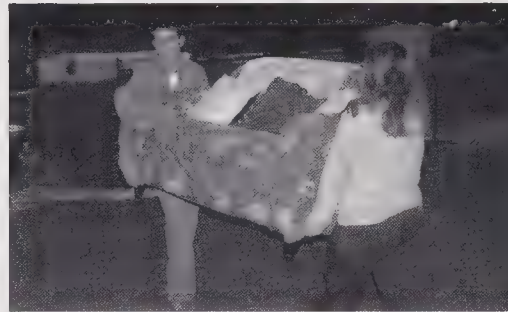




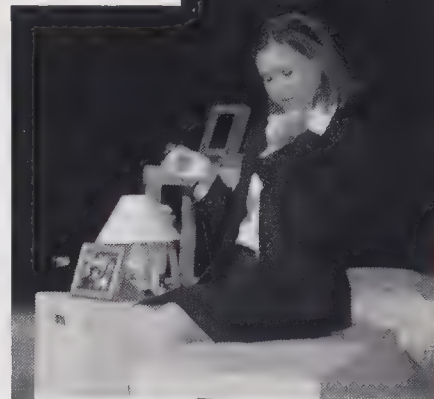
Left: Running through their blocking, Juniors Hannah Williams, Julie Neal, and Senior Jennifer Digangi rehearse for Brighton Beach Memiors.



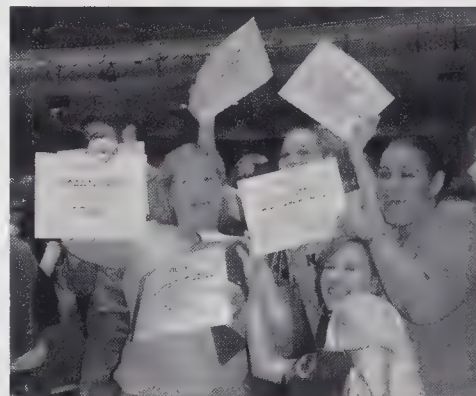
Senior Stacey Gresock shrieks in horror as she acts out her character's reaction to Senior Sarah Ray's character's song in Vanities, one of the two shows taken to Regionals.



Seniors Stacey Gresock and Sarah Ray, along with fellow cast member Junior Chelsea Erskine, play their roles as cheerleaders in their production of Vanities.



DISTINGUISHED



Left: Senior Kelly Hart and Junior Canaan Cox run through their lines in Brighton Beach Memiors. Above: Theatre students show their excitement after relieving their awards at the NCTC competition. Right: Reuniting after many years apart, Senior Stacey Gresock and Senior Sarah Ray's characters argue over the values of life.





Before the lights finish dimming, the audience catches a glimpse of Senior Kelly Hart in full sprint as he leads a charge of about 15 crew members onto a stage full of furniture and props. There's a moment of darkness and then the blue backlights come up. All that's left on stage is Senior Sarah Ray, struggling towards the wing with an end table in one arm and a lamp in the other. She makes her way off the stage and the judge comes out. "44 minutes, 27 seconds." Shrieks are heard from both backstage and the audience. Only 33 seconds kept Brighton Beach Memoirs in the competition. And as close as Brighton Beach came to being eliminated, Vanities came closer. The trio cast performed their piece with only three seconds to spare. "[The judge] took back his comment that we needed to slow down at the end," said Sarah. "He did say that he would like for us to have more time so we could feel the moments more completely though."

Ms. Byorick's first semester honors theatre class, along with some of her lower level theatre classes working as run crew, took two plays to compete in the North Carolina Theatre Conference (NCTC.) Out of the 11 schools, Vanities and Brighton Beach had some of the best numbers. Both plays received awards for Best Costumes; only three were given away. Out of the 10 awards for Honorable Mention Best Actor/Actress, three went to North. "It was very exciting to get that award," said Sarah. "I wasn't expecting it at all." Junior Hannah Williams and Senior Michael Manning received their awards for their parts in Brighton Beach.

Every group competing were crossing their fingers, hoping to move on to the state competition. While neither Brighton Beach nor Vanities were chosen for state competition, Brighton Beach was one of the four productions to earn the coveted Superior ranking. Vanities followed right behind with the next highest ranking at Excellent. "It was amazing," said Sophomore Jamie Stanley, who helped in the run crew. "We were all screaming and yelling- jumping for joy and hugging."

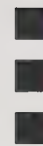
CLOSE CALL

NUMBERS REALLY ADD UP
IN THE THEATRE....



Exchanging compliments, our theatre students give and receive feedback from other schools.

ADVENTURES



■ ■ ■ OF THE SLIGHTLY DISTURBED



Arching his back to reach the highest scream in his level, Senior Kyl Labelle can be seen creating metal music of his choice.



Whether it's a snow day, teacher work day, or a holiday, students have to find something to keep themselves occupied. Freshman Amanda Lyda said "I play basketball and volleyball or sleep on my days off school." Doing activities like sports gets students out of the house and active instead of just sitting around being a couch potato. "On my days out of school I go with [Junior] Thomas [Drye] to Wal-Mart," said Senior Andrew Kimbro.

"I'd have to say one of the best days I had out of school was when me and [Freshman] Gianna [Miracle] walked like eight miles from my house to the Pump House... that was a long walk," said Freshman Kendra Burke. Most students can find rides to places they would like to go, unlike Kendra. "I drive myself around," said Sophomore Travis Brown. In addition, others have to call their friends to come get them, like Freshman Melisa Sims, "I have to call [Freshman] Cassie [Russell] to come give me a ride cause her mom will usually come get me at any time."

Most of the time students would rather stay at home than go to school. "I would rather stay at my house so I can hang out with my friends and spend time with my family," said Junior Jennifer Rosadio. Senior Kayla Tatham would rather sit at home all day too. Some people would disagree with them. "I would rather go to school because I love people," said Melisa.

In students spare time almost everyone dreams of his or her perfect day off. Freshman Amanda Lyda said, "I would want to go back to Florida [where I moved from in seventh grade] where all my friends are." Many people miss where they came from and would love to go back on their day(s) off. Jennifer said, "[I would love to] Take a road trip to the beach with my friends." A beach trip is always fun and relaxing.

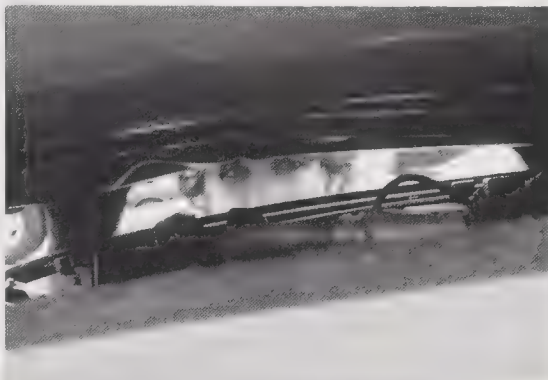
Some days off school are just good to relax and hang out with friends. But sometimes they can have an effect of our summer break



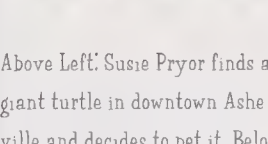
Avyis (Pronounced: Av-I-is) members Senior Kyl Labelle and Junior Taylor Kennedy and their drummer rock out in Kyl's basement with their latest song.



Left: Junior Chelsea Erskine and Senior Sean Owen hang out in the park afterschool. These two individuals were seen together alot. Below: Krantz McGlasson peaks through the crack in his hood, showing off the damage he did one day afterschool.



love



Above Left: Susie Pryor finds a giant turtle in downtown Asheville and decides to pet it. Below: Seniors Erin Finsel and Sarah Ray decide to take a picture of their afterschool journey to Ingles for snacks.



TOOHS-IO-INO

Best friends Junior Hannah Williams, Senior Sean Owen, and Junior Chelsea Erskine all stop for a picture while celebrating Sean's 18th birthday.

Left: Seniors, Allison
Hyder, Ciara Newman
and Amber Wilson take
some time from dancing
to express their meaning
of friendship. Middle:
Showing that having
friends to depend on
really helps is Freshman
Shebly Roberson and
Kayla Anders. Right:
Striking their Gangster
pose is Freshman Alex
McMinn and Sophomore
Aerika Nalley.



Seniors Serenity Ash and
Megan Brooks have been
friends since sixth grade
and plan to keep in touch
after high school. They
both agreed that they have
become much better friends
this year.



ARE YOU *Dependable or Unreliable*

**1. Which of the following would you
do message-wise?**

- a. text them until they fall
asleep
- b. just leave a message and forget
about it
- c. what are messages?!

Mostly A's

Best Friend in the
World!

Mostly B's

Your Ok..

**2. On your Bf's B-day Would
you...**

- a. Throw them the best party
ever.
- b. Send them a card
- c. What B-day?!..

Mostly C's

You need therapy.

**3. Your friends would most likely
describe you as:**

- a. Perfect
- b. Sometimes there
- c. never there for me



TILL THE END ■

■■■ BEST FRIENDS FOREVER...

The term 'best friends' is commonly looked upon as choosing one friend who surpasses all others; the one most favored. Best friends usually spend their time together in and out of school. But what exactly makes up a best friend? What about them makes them stand out above all the millions of people out in the world?

The reason why Freshman Amanda Lyda is best friends with Carissa Piaquadio, who currently lives in Florida, is "because she's fun to be around and I can trust her with anything." Keeping long distance friendships can be a major challenge to some people, but apparently that doesn't stop Amanda! This just proves how strong their relationship has grown in the four years they have known each other.

Friends can meet in the most unusual ways than just the formal 'Hi, my name is...' introduction. "One day I went to the movies with [Freshman] Kaitlyn [Gunderson] and [Senior] Karina [Lee] kissed the back of my AFI jacket and since then we have been soul mates," said Freshman Ashley Roche.

Best friends each contain different qualities that make them unique to others. Their interests grow and develop as they spend more time together and get to know each other. Senior Megan Wood depends on her friend Senior Sarah Case to perk her up. "[I love] her ability to put a smile on my face, no matter how mad I am." The qualities they share and the new ones they discover can help the best of friends find out more about themselves.

Below: Seniors Chris Rawlins and Carson Thomas goof off in between classes. Top Left: Sophomore Carissa Mathis and Junior Sunny Rhodes show how it's easier to do work when you have friends. Bottom Left: Seniors Corey Williams and Austin Tiller have been friends since kindergarten and have become closer ever since they entered into high-school.



BEST FRIENDS



Sophomores Megan Crow, Lauren Benson, Eliza Franklin, Eliza Killman, Amber Men, Jamie Stanley, Kara Redden, Danielle, Amber Myers, and Erica Wullenwebber pose for a picture in the boys bathroom.

HANGIN' OUT ■■■

■■■ AFTER SCHOOL.....

After school activities can be limitless in possibilities. They could range from attending soccer or play practice, to going to ballroom club. Having after school activities can be very beneficial to students because they tend to look good on a college application. They show colleges that students are responsible enough to manage their time wisely and that students can survive in a hectic schedule. Being in a club or sport in high school might make it easier for students to get accepted to college. Many students are willing to go an extra step to attract a college's attention.

"[I joined in FBLA] because [I get to compete in] competitions, and get to dress in business attire, [I also] get to meet people all around the United States," said Senior Tara Escobar, Vice President of FBLA. Many people join clubs in hopes of spending time with their friends, as well as meeting new people. School activities can become very dull without the social aspect. Everyone enjoys the chance to meet new people and make new friends.

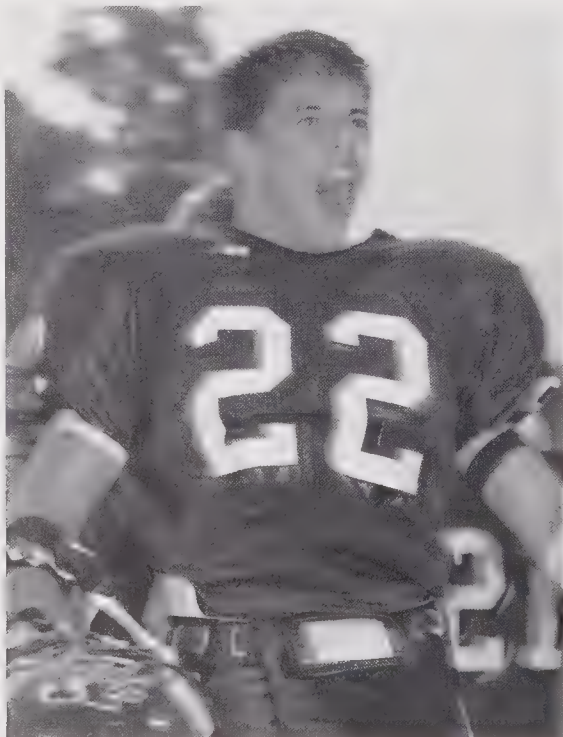
Playing a sport can cause stress and pressure that can affect both a student's home life and school life. Being expected to do well in both school and sports can be difficult to deal with, something many can't handle.

Most clubs meet in the mornings such as FCLA and DECA. "Diversity Club actually is still in the beginning stages of development, so we mainly do planning in the mornings," said Junior Kimi Sullivan. Being able to get to meetings on time and being available to attend them determine how much effort students will put forth to become a part of the club. Nobody wants someone in a club who shows up late for meetings when meetings are when everything is planned out. Students who are not fully committed to a club make it hard to plan activities, so it advises that students know what is expected from them before they join the club or group.

There are a range of many different clubs that students can join, look around and see what's out there because being in an after school activity is a way to be social, help with that college application and, above all, have a good time.

Knights score a touchdown! Junior Bryan Lamb played with heart all year long. All football players put in a lot of time after school so they could play at the top of their

game.
DISTINGUISHED



Seniors Logan Brackett, Jason Moffitt, and Alan Clancy watch the East football game intently. Many students could be found after school attending the football games.



Sophomore Trey Matthews shows his skills in the culinary department at one of the student tailgating events. Food proved to bring more students to the game.



ARE YOU *a good tailgater?*

1. It's Friday Night, Football season. Where are you?

- a. Cheering in the student section, with lots of paint on.
- b. At the game, talking to friends
- c. At home watching a movie with you significant other

2. Before the game, where are you?

- a. In the parking lot glittering up with the spirit squad
- b. Eating at Sonic before heading off to the game.
- c. Heading towards Asheville for a show.

Mostly A's

You're an amazing tailgater!

3. What are your favorite foods?

- a. hot dogs and burgers
- b. nachos and pizza
- c. seafood and salad

Mostly B's

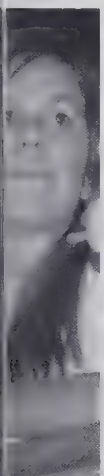
You're an average game watcher

4. One word to describe you would be:

- a. enthusiastic
- b. supportive
- c. individual

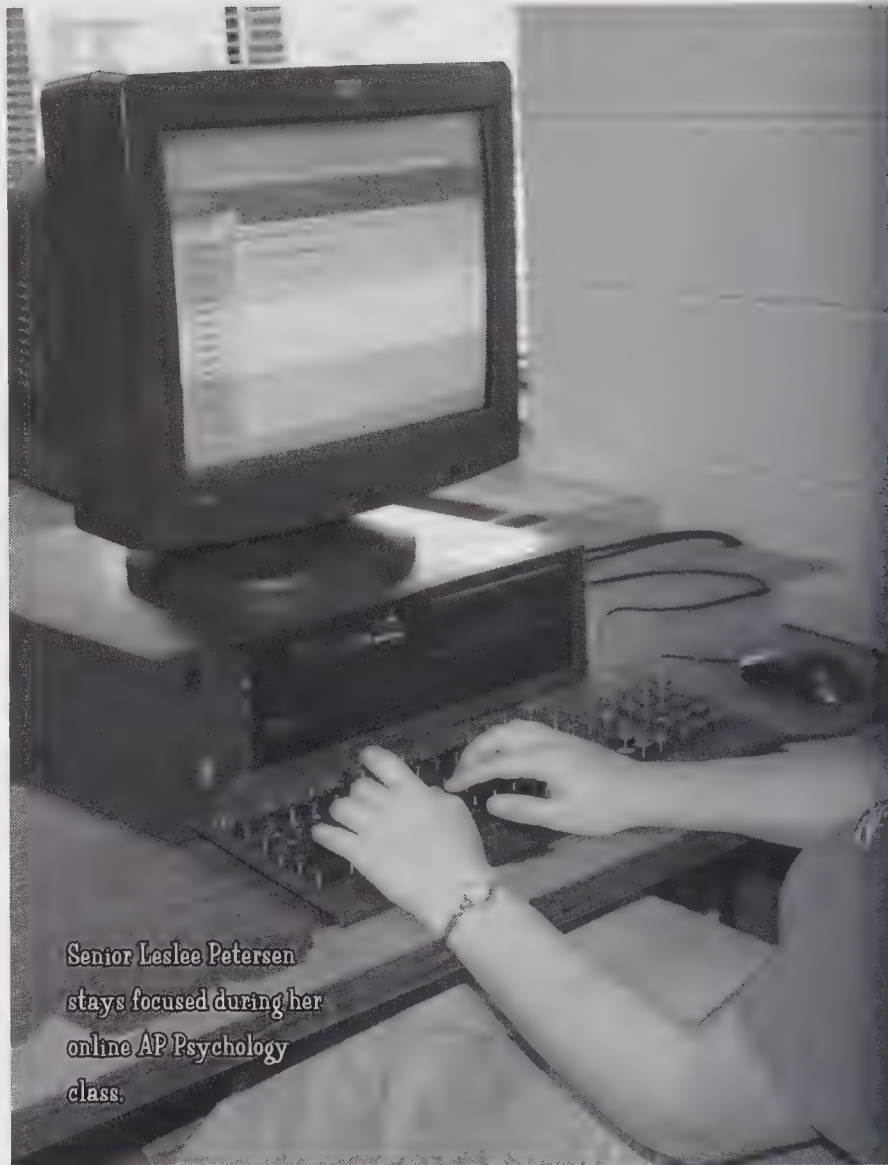
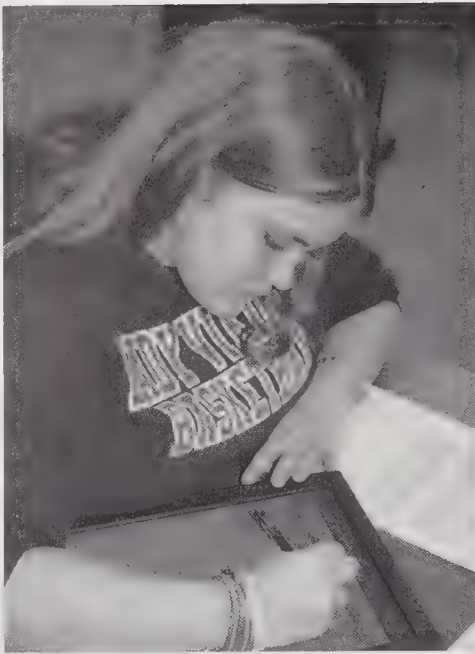
Mostly C's

You're no tailgater



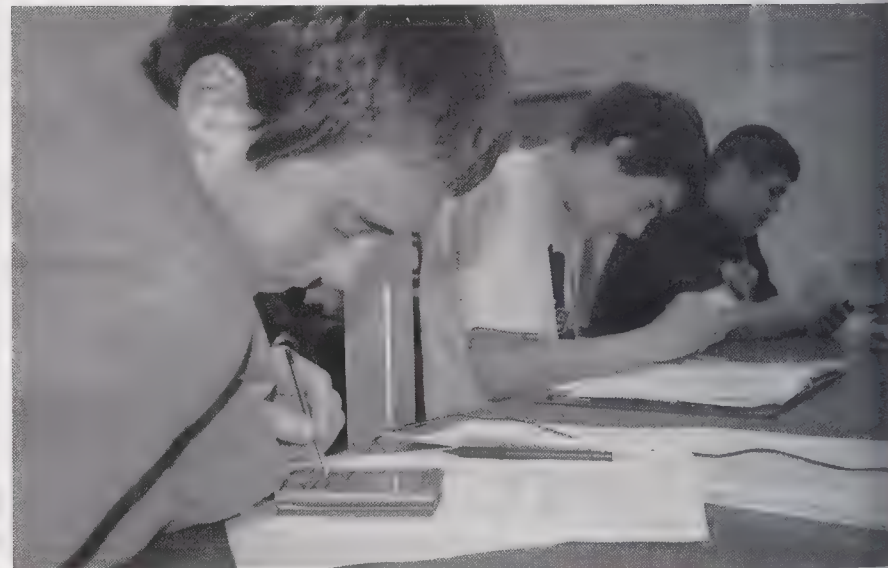
Adding a little funk to the night is North's dance team who placed second at their national competition in December. Being on Dance Team involves a lot of time after school for practice.

Right: Sophomore Leah Carlise practices writing on a notebook computer during her Digital Communications class. Below: Seniors Christina Storm and Jeremy Wilder finish up their work during one of their online classes.



Senior Leslee Petersen stays focused during her online AP Psychology class.

Helping out a classmate, Freshman Chelsea Wilkie gives Senior Jason Moffitt some pointers on how to use the notebook computer.



Senior John David learns how to use a PDA (Personal Digital Assistant) during his Digital Communications class.

Junior Patrick Singletary and Freshman Joey Maciel beam messages to each other using their PDAs in class.

WELCOME

■■■ TO THE WORLD OF ■■ TECHNOLOGY

Technology is one of the most important things in this world. Without technology, the world would not have telephones, computers, or music players. Every day in Ms. Jackson's computer applications class, students get to learn to use new forms of technology. While some are learning basic typing skills, others learn to use PDA's, tablet PCs, and head sets for Dragon voice recognition. "They don't like the voice recognition," said Ms. Jackson. "If you were to master it, you could increase your keying to about two hundred words per minute."

Mastering all kinds of computer programs can be an advantage for someone looking for a job in the future. Most jobs require the worker to know how to use the computer. "The tablet PC was really awesome," said Senior Jason Moffitt. "Instead of typing, you can just hand write. It's easier." When students get to use the tablet PCs they can just use a stylus pen to write what they need to. "They loved the tablet PCs," said Ms. Jackson. "They also liked the PDA [personal digital assistant]'s because they can beam messages to each other." Students in Ms. Jackson's computer applications class also get the opportunity to learn how to use scanners, digital cameras, and web cameras.

ARE YOU *techno-savvy?*

1. When driving down the road,
you're listening to your beats on:

- a. your iPod
- b. a cd player
- c. the radio

Mostly A's

You are Techno Savvy!

2. When you're typing
that paper for English,
what are you using?

- a. A laptop on your bed.
- b. A bulky computer at your desk.
- c. A good old typewriter.

Mostly B's

You're somewhat
Tech-Literate.

3. What do you use to get in
touch with your friends?

- a. That new top-of-the-line cell phone that everyone's jealous of.
- b. Your home phone.
- c. Snail mail, baby!

Mostly C's

Get with the times,
droid!

TECHNOLOGY

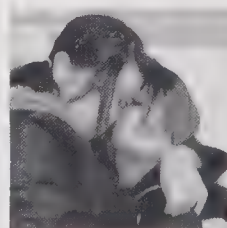
A DAY IN ■■■

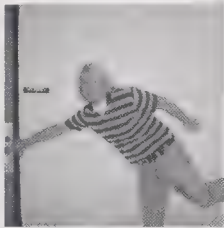
■■■ THE LIFE OF FOUR KIDS

On Wednesday I got up around 6:15, took a shower, and got dressed. Then I came to school and did my thing. Afterwards, I went with [Senior] Erin Finsel to downtown Asheville found Erin's boyfriend, my brother, a Valentines gift. We went and ate at a delightful vegetarian restaurant called Rosetta's. Then we went shopping! We went through all of the little nick knack stores downtown to find something to buy. I bought this awesome plaid hat! [Junior] Andrew Harris (my boyfriend) called. Then we continued shopping. Found this cool dress that looks like a fairy dress! It was grey and sparkly, but I didn't have hundreds of dollars to buy it! We got lost trying to get into a closed chocolate shop. Then three hobos asked us for money. After that, we headed home while listening to the lovely Hot Hot Heat. When I got home, I listened to music while playing a Nintendo game and waited on Andrew to come pick me up. He picked me up and we went to his house ate dinner with his parents and watched John Mayer on TV. Then when I left his house I came home and watched TV and fell asleep on the couch.



On Friday I woke up late at 11:00 am by [Senior] Karina Lee calling me twelve million times. Then I ate a biscuit and then my mom drove me to school... yessss! NOT... During third period, I got in a argument with the substitute because he wouldn't let me get a drink. Then I went to lunch and sat with [Sophomore] Hailee [Wilkie] and [Sophomore] Kimberly [Wilkie]. After lunch, I went to forth period, where I walked around the school and took pictures since I had photography. After school, I rode the bus home with Karina and party people [just a bunch of my other friends]. After we got to Karina's house, we went to the mall and bought some socks, a headband and Invader Zim hair clips. Then we ate some Taco Bell afterwards because we all had the munchies. Then Karina and I went to a "Part-ay", and hung out with friends. Music was a big part. Then after the "Part-ay" we went to Karina's house and eventually went to sleep.





On Wednesday Morning, I woke up at 6:00 and [Junior] Drew [Capps] called to tell me good morning. About 6:15, I got into the shower. Around 7:00 I got out and [Junior] Kayla Corn texted me to tell me good morning and asked how I was doing. After that I got my clothes on, I did my hair and brushed my teeth. After I got ready, I got my book bag ready to go. Around 7:40, my mom took me and my brother to school. I got to school about 7:50 I waited on drew to get there. At 7:58 he arrived and we walked to the courtyard. We stood out there until 8:03. Then I went to my first period class which is Housing I with Mrs. Underwood. We talked about what kind of projects consist of decorating an office and contacting a real estate agency. I got out of there at 9:35 and went to meet Drew in the hall. We went to the courtyard until 9:38. After that, I went to my second period class which is Math II with Mrs. Kass. We just organized our folders and talked about how we were all doing in that class, which I am doing great. The sophomores got out of class at 10:20 to go to the Bullington Center. We go [there] to learn about gardening and good work skills. We usually get there at 10:30 and leave at 12:30 we got back to school at 12:40 to make it to fourth lunch. At 1:20 I went to meet Drew at the library. [Around] 1:23 I went to my fourth period class, Foods I with Mrs. Lytle. When I got to her class we talked about what bad carbs are and what good carbs are. We took some notes and did some work sheets. At 3:00, I went to my bus, bus 34, and went home. When I got home I went to my room and called and texted all my friends. After all that I went to bed early because of my long day at school.



I woke up this morning at 5:35. The phone rang and I tried rolling out of bed but I accidently fell out- bad start to a "good" morning. I ran to the phone and it was my boyfriend. We talked for about 30 minutes. "Oh no!" I screeched, "Today we have a game!" I am on the JV soccer team and today we have a game against East Henderson. I finally got ready and headed for the bus. It was 7:43 when I got to school. I went straight to my coach's room to complain about dressing up. Everyone just told me to shut up. My first period was World History Honors with Coach Uy. He is one funny man. At the beginning of class he dropped his chocolate covered blueberries and he yelled "five second rule!" My second period is Computer Apps I with Ms. Jackson. She's a pretty nice teacher but her class is greatly tedious. Today in her class we finished our PDA tests. Now my third period is great. I have Espanol 2 with Ms. Moratta. Today was fun; we got to do a fashion show. I have lunch and, to me, it's one of the most boring parts of my day. Fourth period! The sound of that makes me want to puke! Science is my worst subject. Mr. Williams, the young one with the bushy face, teaches my Earth/Environmental science class. It's hard. Well at the end of the day I went straight to my coach's room and got dressed. Game time I thought. We warmed up and already I was feeling tired. First half was pretty tough. I was pooped for the second half, but we played with our hearts and won 1-0. After the game I went home and showered, boy I needed it. I ate, called my "better-half" and went nite-

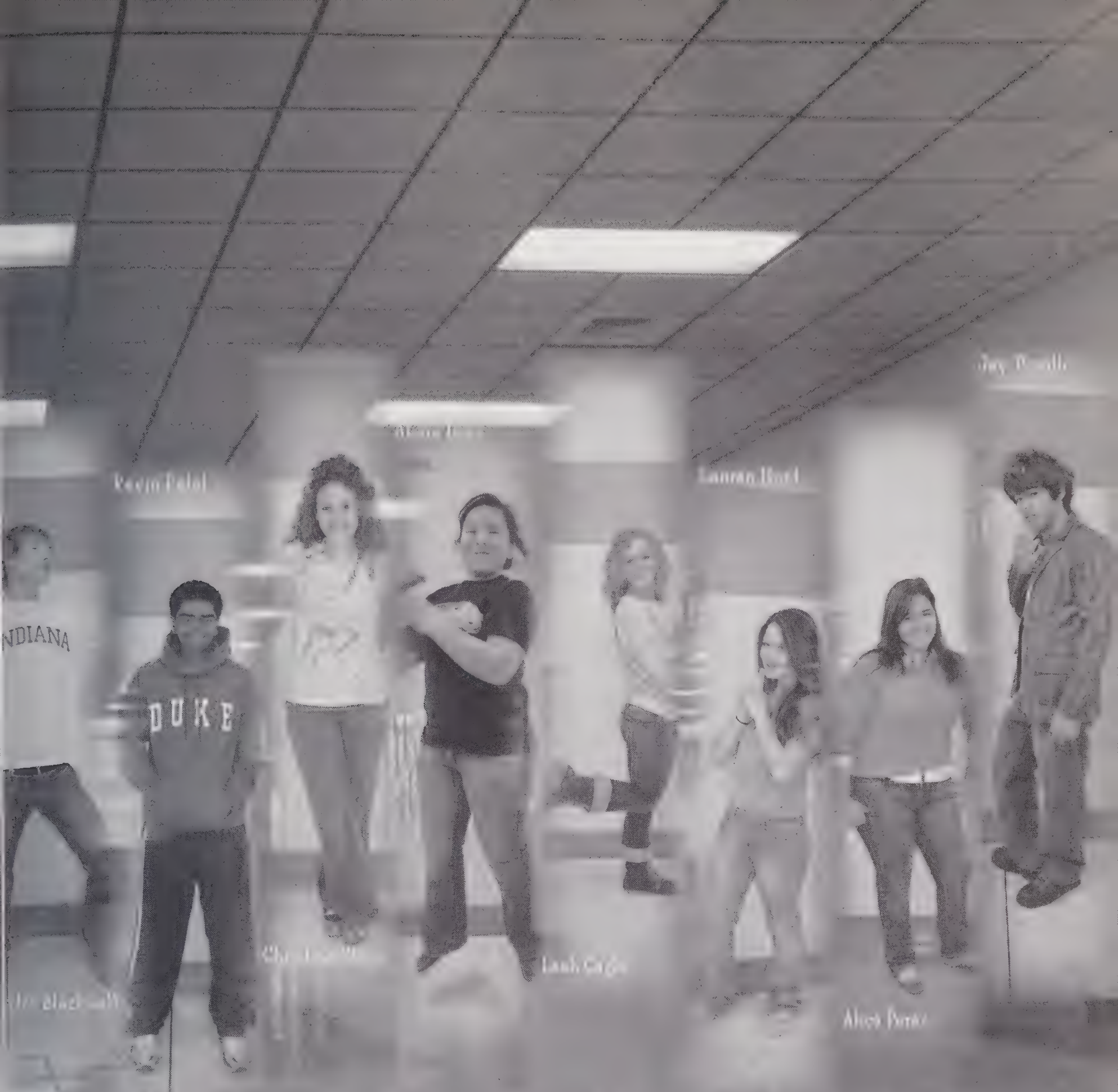
STUDENT OFFICERS,

JUDGE... JURY... AND STUDENTS!



Taking on leadership is a big responsibility. Student Council leadership taken on by students with 150 to do a little extra. Most students don't think about how much thought goes into what happens at school. From food drives to Spirit Week, it all takes some thought. Student Council and the student body officers spend a little more time getting involved with the school and community, like food drives and raising money.

Student Council keeps all the students informed when something is going on within the school. "I love being involved. I am glad to organize events for my school," said Senior Christina Storm, Student Body President. Weekly meetings keep everyone up to date on what's happening. "I like being able to help the school, help people and help out in the community," said Senior Susan Pryor, Vice President of the senior class. Christina knows just how hectic things can be. "I have a lot of responsibilities," she said. "I stay busy organizing Spirit Week and Field Day, changing the sign outside, doing the calendar, running Student Council meetings, organizing the can food drive, and representing the school at the monthly superintendent Student Government meetings."



Jay Powell

Alison Brown

Keen Patel

Lauren Bart

INDIANA

DUKE

Christina

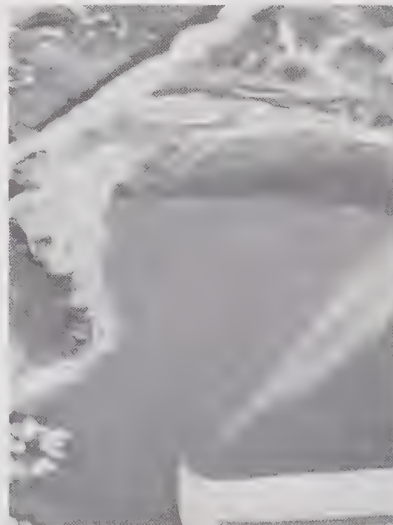
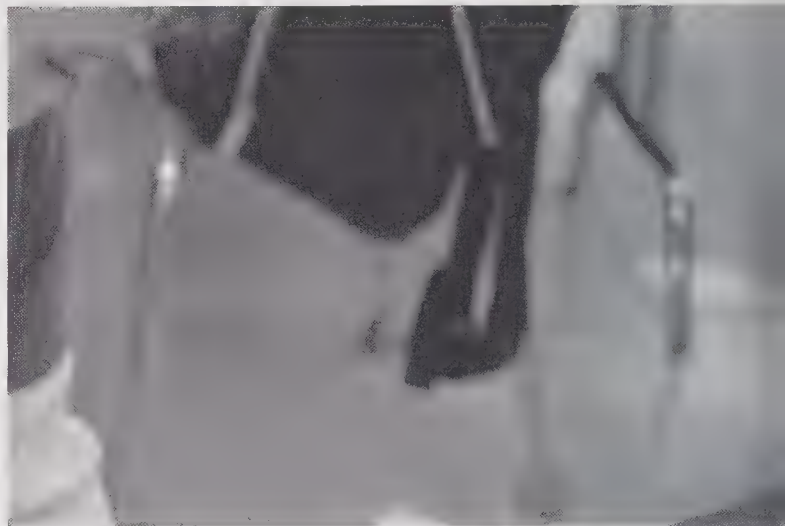
Lauren Cagle

Alice Burt

While others may not be quite as busy as Christina, everyone does their part. Sophomore Rayce Landa Student Body Secretary and Treasurer has lots of a hustle. "I take attendance at the Student Council meetings," said Rayce. "We help the less fortunate in school and out of school. Mostly we help the community outside school; we run food drives, raise money, and gather clothes and blankets for needy families."

The reasons to get involved are unlimited. "I got involved in something extracurricular for college," said Susan. "I've done a lot for Student Council as well as the prom committee last year and being leader of homecoming decorations this year." Being a part of Student Council is a great way to get involved with the school and make college applications look better. "I absolutely love Ms. Case and being able to work with her is reward enough. She is very intelligent and wise," said Christina.

As long as there is a school, there will be students who step up to the plate and take on responsibilities by being part of Student Council. "Work hard to stay at it and to keep up with your responsibilities. It's worth it," said Susan. Some students will run for officer positions again, some will just leave with great memories, or maybe with a feeling of glad knowing that they helped someone. Whatever they leave with, they will always be a part of their high school student council.



DIVERSE

PEOPLE ■

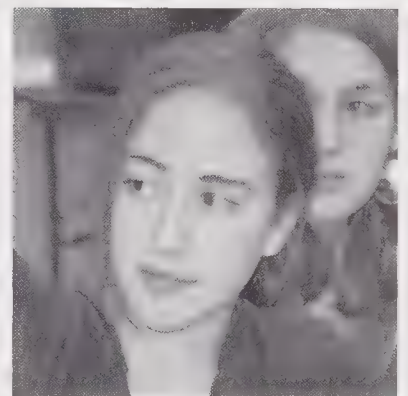
■ ■ MAKING A MARK...

Walking down the halls, we're hit by students running to beat the late bell. Turning our heads, we look for friends or just a friendly face to say hello; anyone that sticks out of the sea of faces. But if you take the time to look at each person for who they are, you'll notice we aren't just one big body, we are diverse individuals. Junior Patricia Tomas said, "I wanna be seen as unique. I don't like to be judged or to judge others."

It's only natural that people make first impressions; someone wearing a black t-shirt and a hood is thought of as an emo kid. Girls gossiping in the halls in hollister shirts are deemed preppy. A guy wearing a John Deere t-shirt is considered a redneck and anyone with thick rimmed glasses and a Nintendo belt is labeled a nerd. But it's not always possible to figure someone out just by what they wear or are interested in, there's more to a person than meets the eye. Take Senior Kyl Labelle for instance, he wears clothes that go from preppy to mod in a day. "I'm a metal kid," he said, "who wears uncomfortable clothes, so they can deal. It's what's on the inside that counts."

Most of the time set groups of kids don't always stay together. Once they take the time to get to know others it's easier to branch out and form new friends. Senior Megan Wood said, "I do a lot of different things. I cheer and love my team, but I'm also friends with theatre kids, and drifters like [Seniors] Heather Lorenz, Mandy McGrail, and Sarah Case. These people can always keep a smile on my face."

Underneath the clothing and what's downloaded into our mp3 players, we all share a lot of similarities. We all like to go to the movies to see the newest releases. We all go shopping for new trends, and most of us enjoy the company of friends; so let's take the time to get to know people.



DIVIDER

Who are we? WE'RE THE SENIORS

CLASS of
2007



CLASS OF 2007



1. What has been your biggest influence during high school?

Michael: Sports and going to state.

Alicen: My Parents.

2. Who have been the biggest influences in your life?

Michael: My Brother.

Alicen: My family, but my sister mostly.

3. What Teacher will you remember most?

Michael: Mrs. Willingham- she was fun.

Alicen: My 5th Grade teacher, Mrs. Beaver.

4. Words to live by:

Michael: Sports are everything. Live your life to the fullest.

Alicen: You never know when a little smile will brighten up someone's day.



Claudia Alejos

Soccer- 9th, 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 9, 10, 11, 12. AIM Club- 9, 10, 11, 12.



Micheal Alvarez

Theatre- 10, 11. Chorus 10, 11, 12. Jazz Band- 11, 12. Marching Band- 12.

"He who laughs last thinks slowest."



Jared Anderson

Baseball- 9, 10, 11, 12. Football- 12 Wrestling- 12

"If you ain't first, you're last!"

erenity Ash

K-9,10,11,12. Indoor Track- 11. PCA-9,10. Yearbook-12. ish Club-11.

whole life is a random moment...



Michael Beamish

Football- 9, 10, 11. Cheerleading- 12. Lacrosse- 10,11, 12. Indoor track- 10

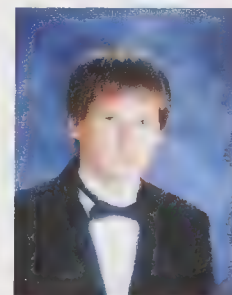
"We don't need no education"



Dakota Benson

Basketball- 9, 10, 11, 12

"If you're not first, then you're last!"
-Ricky Bobby



Most Likely to Succeed

1. How long have you had your life-time goals?

Logan: Since Kindergarten

Susan: Since I was little.

2. What has been the most influential event in your life?

Logan: Governors School West at Salem College.

Susan: Learning to ride my bike.

3. Where do you see yourself in 20 years?

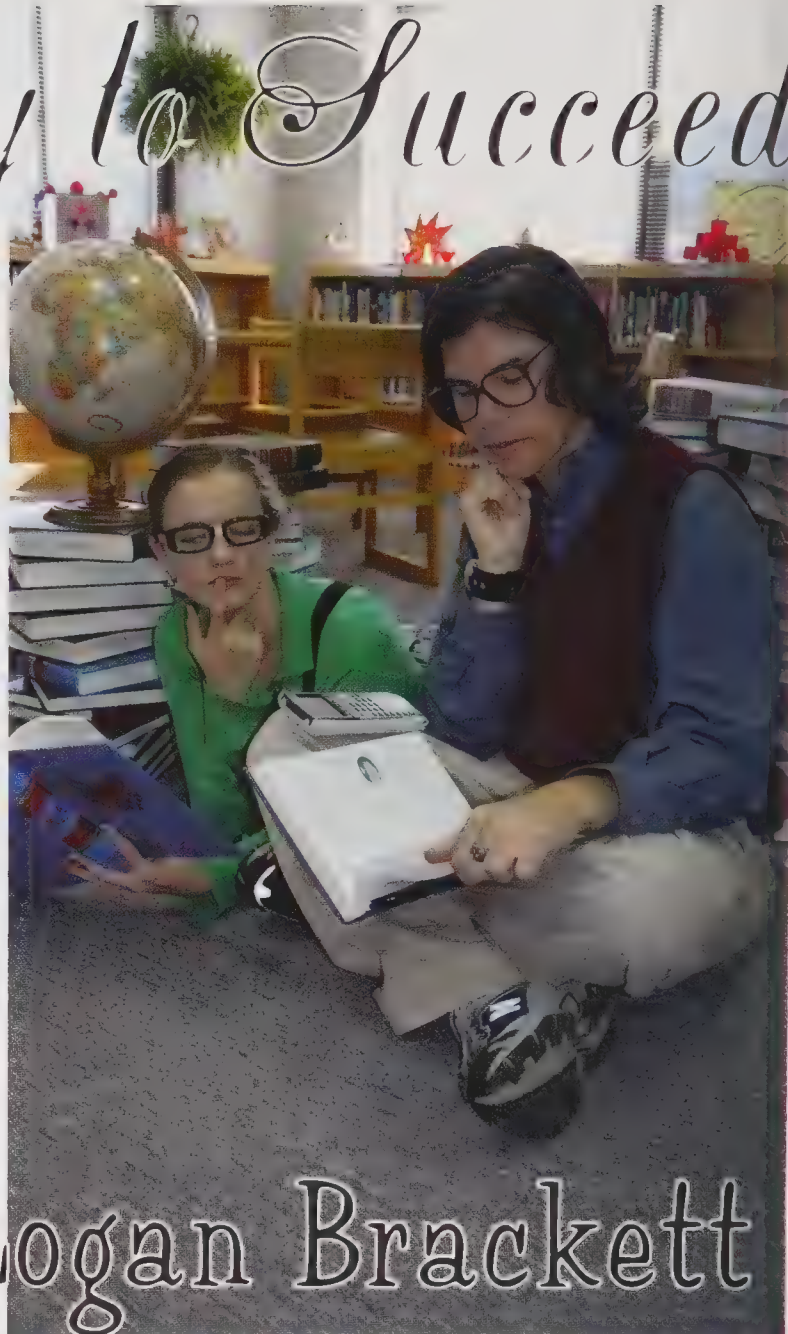
Logan: I don't look that far in the future, I try to live for today.

Susan: Hopefully successful and independent.

4. Words to live by?

Logan: Live the questions.

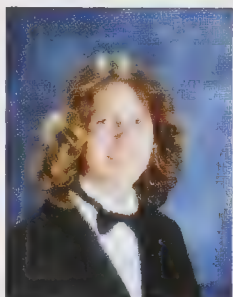
Susan: Be open minded and don't be afraid to try new things.



Susan Pryor & Logan Brackett

Michael Blanchard

No activities listed.



Logan Brackett

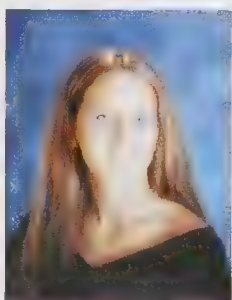
Student Council- 9, 11, 12. National Honors Society- 11, 12. Marching Band- 9, 10, 11. Key Club- 10, 11, 12. Musical- 11, 12.

"Live the questions."



Jeremy Bradburn

No activities listed.



Amber Bradley

IV Volleyball- 9, 10. Varsity Volleyball- 11, 12. IV Basketball- 9, 10. Varsity Basketball- 11.

"Live, love, laugh!"



Kenneth Brandt

Baseball- 9, 10, 11, 12. VICA- 9, 10. Basketball- 9, 10, 11, 12. FBIA- 11, 12. Football- 9, 10, 11, 12. Ping Pong- 11, 12. Spanish Club- 11, 12.

"Second place is the first loser!"



Megan Brooks

DECA-12 FCA-9, 10. Yearbook-

"So gather up your jackets, move to the exits. I hope you have four friend." -Semi-sonic

Nicholas Brozak

activities listed.



Garrett Burleson

Concert Band. Marching Band. Key Club

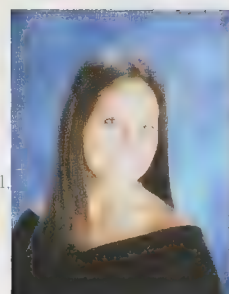
"I want to be forgotten." Julian Casablancas.



Briana Bushelli

J.V. Football Cheerleading- 9. J.V. Basketball Cheerleading- 9. Varsity Football Cheerleading- 10, 11, 12. Varsity Basketball Cheerleading 10, 11, 12. HOSA- 9, 10, 11, 12.

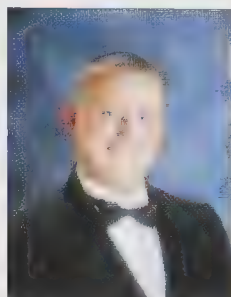
"Life is too short to wake up in the morning with regrets."



Leah Eagle

FCA 9, 10, 11, 12. Student Council- 11, 12. JV Volleyball 9. V. Volleyball-10, 11, 12. Track-10. Key Club-11, 12. Spanish Club-11. NH Society-11,12. Junior Marshal-11. Class President-12.

"The beauty of grace is that it makes life not fair." -Relient K



Brent Cantrell

Key Club- 10, 11, 12. FFA- 10, 11, 12. Skills USA 11, 12.



Andrew Capps

Football- 9, 10. Wrestling- 10, 11. Tennis- 9. FCA- 9.

Meri Carler

Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12. Track- 12.

Follow your dreams."



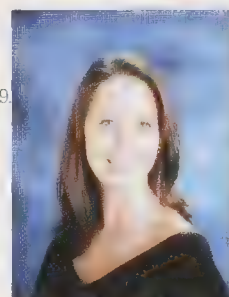
Cameron Case

No activities listed.



Sara Case

Key Club- 9, 10, 11. Student Council- 9. JV Softball 9, 10. Marching Band 9, 10, 11. Concert Band- 9,10,11. HOSA- 12



Jonathan Caudel

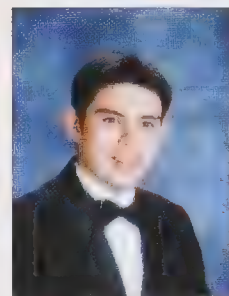
Jazz Band- 11, 12.

"Rhythm is a reflex."



Ismel Cerezo

No activities listed.



Ballazar Chavez

No activities listed.

Austin Chillington

Band- 9th, 10, 11, 12. Marching Band- 9, 10, 11, 12. Student Council- 9, 11, 12.

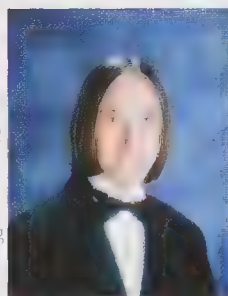
What's this it?"



Alan Clancy

JV Soccer- 9, 10. Cross Country- 10, 11, 12. Interact-11, 12. Spanish Club 10, 11. National Honor Society- 11, 12. Junior Marshal- 11. Spirit Squad- 10, 11, 12

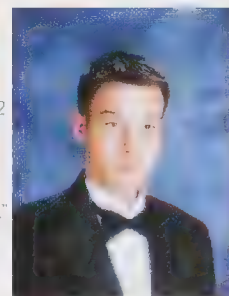
"If at first you don't succeed, skydiving isn't for you"



Phillip Cole

Lacross- 9, 12. Interact- 12. Student Council- 12. FCA- 10, 11, 12. Ping Pong- 12. Skills USA- 9, 10, 11, 12.

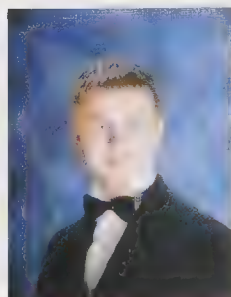
"I'm gonna wear a pink tux to prom." Relient K.



Douglas Collins

JV Football- 9, 10. Wrestling- 9, 10. Golf-9, 10, 11, 12. FFA- 9. French Club- 9.

"The future lies with those who are willing to make an offer."



Zachary Conrad

Varsity Basketball- 11, 12. Baseball 10, 12. FFA- 9, 10, 11, 12. FCA- 9, 10, 11. Spanish Club- 9, 10, 11. Skills USA- 12.

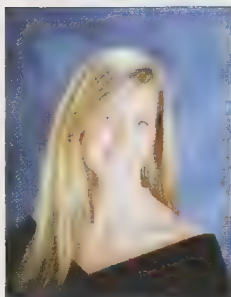
"Go with that's in your heart. It will never steer you wrong."



Ana Correa

AIM Club- 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club 11, 12. HOSA- 9. FCLA 12

"I can do anything through Christ."



Lydia Cox

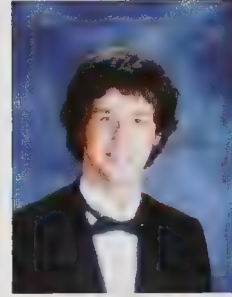
Interact-9, DECA 10 Yearbook- 10
Photography 10. Spanish Club- 11
Track 11, 12. Senior Sister- 12.
Honors Society 12. Key Club- 12

"Success is a journey, not a destination."



Thomas Cox

No activities listed.



Lewis Crawford

Basketball- 9th, 10, 11, 12. Track
Golf- 9.

"What doesn't kill you only makes
better."

Diego Cruz

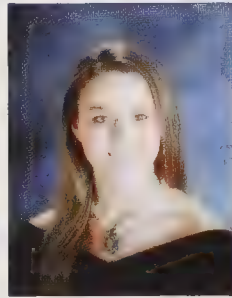
Mural Painting- 11. Honors Art- 12
Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12

"All is well that ends well."



Morgan Cussans

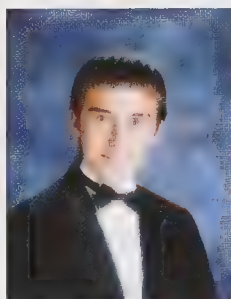
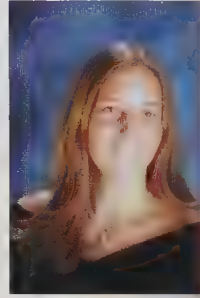
No activities listed.



Shaina Danner

Honors Theatre- 11, 12. DECA- 12.

"Take life as it comes."



John David

Bike Club- 9.

"It's not the years, it's the mileage."
Indiana Jones



Valentin Deleon

No activities listed.



Corey Denham

Marching Band- 9, 10, 11, 12. Jazz
Band- 11, 12.

"We'll be fine."

Alicia Diaz

French Club- 11, 12. Spanish Club- 11,
12. Student Council- 11, 12. Key Club
12. Soccer- 10, 11, 12.

"The only place where success comes
before work is in the dictionary."



Jennifer Digangi

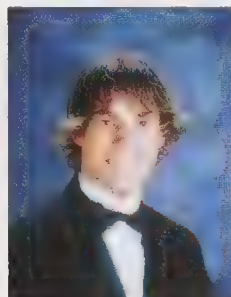
FCA 9th, 10, 11, 12. Ballroom- 11, 12.
ITS- 11, 12. Spring Musical- 10, 11,
12. Fall Play- 11, 12.

"Act well your part, there the honor
lies."



Michele Dills

Spanish Club- 11, 12. Track - 9, 10,
11, 12. Cheerleading- 10, 11.



Kerry Doll

Cross Country- 9, 10. Wrestling- 9,
12th. Track 9, 10, 11, 12. Indoor
Track- 10, 11, 12. Football- 12. Key
Club- 9, 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 9,
10, 11.

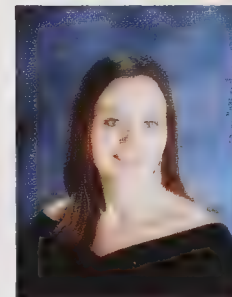
"Life is short, so live life."



Kayla Donaldson

HOSA- 9, 10, 11, 12. National Honors
Society- 11, 12. Crime Stoppers- 11,
12. Spanish Club- 11

"I can do ALL things through Christ
who strengthens me!" -Philippians
4:13.



Jessica Dorn

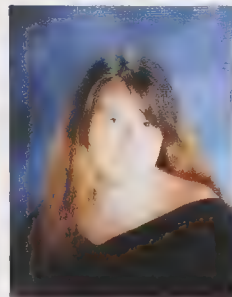
FOCLA- 9. Spanish Club- 11.

"Everything happens for a reason."

Kasi Dowdle

Softball- 12. Student Council 12. FCA
9, 10, 11. Yearbook- 10, 11

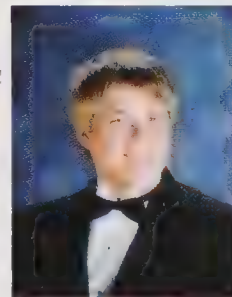
"You only live once. Live it out."



Joshua Drake

Football- 12. Basketball- 9, 10, 11, 12
Baseball- 9, 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 11,
12. Spanish Club- 10, 11. Student
Council- 11. FCA 9, 10, 11.
HOSA-12

"Life is sports and sports are life."



Brandon Duncan

Marching Band- 9, 10, 11.

"It's not the years honey, it's the
mileage."



Best Smile



Caitlin Rosborough & Tyler Sain

1. Why do you think it is important to be cheerful?

Caitlin: So other people will be in a better mood.

Tyler: So that you don't get down and you keep a positive attitude.

2. What do you say to people to make them smile?

Caitlin: I love you.

Tyler: Just random funny things.

3. What's your favorite tooth paste?

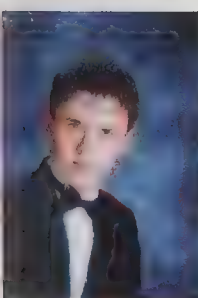
Caitlin: Crest Whitening.

Tyler: Whatever my mom buys.

4. Do you know how many muscles it takes to smile?

Caitlin: I think like 150

Tyler: A few, I guess.



Joshua Engeron

No activities listed.

"Welcome to the first day of the rest of our lives!"



Tara Escobar

Step Team- 9. Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12. FCCLA- 10, 11. FBLA- 11, 12.

"Most people drink their milk, I blow bubbles in mine."



Erin Finsel

Student Council- 9, 10. FCA- 9. Interact- 10. ITS- 12. Spring Musical- 10, 11. Yearbook- 10, 11, 12.

"Everything everywhere will be fine forever and ever."

Jessica Frady

CLA- 9. FFA- 10, 11, 12.

"Live and let go. The grass isn't always greener on the other side."



William Frazier

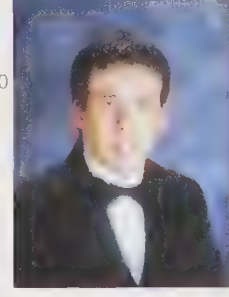
JV Football- 10. Varsity Football- 11. DECA- 10. Jr. ROTC- 12.



Jed Freeman

Interact- 10, 11, 12. French Club- 10, 11. Student Council- 12. Outdoor Track- 10, 11, 12. Indoor Track- 11, 12. Cross Country- 11, 12. Newspaper- 10. Yearbook- 11, 12. Spirit Squad- 12.

"You're only given a little bit of craziness. Don't lose it."



Most Artistic

1. Where do you draw influence for your art?

Sarah: Magazines, Shakespearean plays, life and the world around me.

Diego: My culture and sometimes magazines and TV.

2. What is your favorite type of art?

Sarah: I like recycled art and things with texture.

Diego: Mural paintings

3. What type of art do you consider yourself to be best at?

Sarah: Art that has a message. I don't like to do one specific media.

Diego: Pencil drawings

4. Have you always been interested in art?

Sarah: Yes. Since I was able to hold a crayon.

Diego: Yes. Even when I was little I used to draw stick figures.



Sarah Ray & Diego Cruz

Stephanie Tyfe

FBLA-9, 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 10, 11, 12. National Honor Society- 11, 12. CTESO Honor Society- 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12. Interact-12.

"There is no cure for the birth and death, save for the interval."



Samuel Garmon

Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12. Track- 10. Cross Country- 10. Key Club- 11.

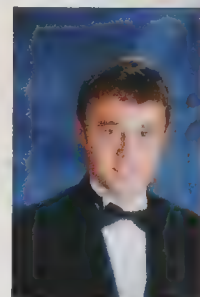
"There's more to life than increasing its speed." -Mahatma Ghandi.



Shawn Gasperson

Marching Band- 9, 10. Concert Band- 9, 10.

"Live every day as if it was your last"



Gene Gifford

FFA- 10, 11, 12. JV Football- 10. Varsity Football 11



Brittany Greer

FFA- 12



Hacey Greshock

Spring Musical- 10, 11, 12. NCTO 10, 11, 12. Theatre- 9, 10, 11, 12

"Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead. Philippians 3:13"

Leison Guillen

BLA-9, 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 9, 10, 11, 12. Aim- 9th, 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 9, 10, 11, 12. Yearbook- 10, 11. Student Council 12.

"You only get out what you put in."



Katie Guthrie

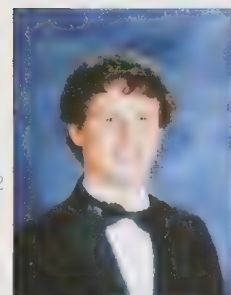
Swim Team- 11, 12. Track- 12. Indoor Track- 11. DECA- 11. Spanish Club- 11.

"Don't do less than your best!"



Saved Harris

Student Council- 9, 10, 11, 12. Class President- 9. Baseball 9, 10, 11. Football- 9, 10, 11, 12. Wrestling- 9, 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12. Skills USA- 10, 11, 12.



Kelly Karl

Theatre- 9, 10, 11, 12. DECA- 9, 10, 11. Football 10.



Jonathan Kartzfeld

No activities listed.



Christa Keatherly

Student Council- 10. JV Cheerleading 10. Dance- 11. FOCIA 12.



Joshua Hewell

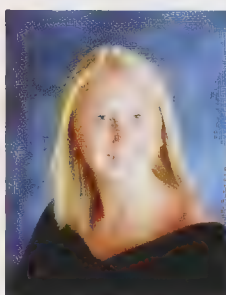
Football- 9, 10 FFA- 12

"Keep it real"



Elizabeth Koglen

No activities listed.



Ashley Koll

FCA-9, 11, 12. JV Softball 9. Basketball 10. Interact- 10, 11. JROTC- 12.

"To be the best, you must act the best"



Matthew Koll

Football- 9, 10. DECA- 9, 10. BASIC- 9, 10. FCA- 9, 10, 11, 12. Key Club 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club-11. Student Council- 12.

"I can do all things through Christ"



Alicen Kyder

JV Volleyball- 9, 10. V. Volleyball- 11. FCA-9, 10. Dance Team-10, 11, 12. NHSociety- 11, 12. HOSA-11, 12.

"You never know when a little smile will brighten up someone's day."



Michelle Lanes

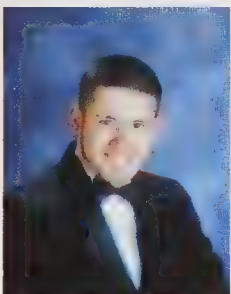
FCA- 9, 10. Golf- 10, 11

"Live Love Dance."



James Johnson

Football- 9, 12. Wrestling- 9, 12. Track 9, 10, 11, 12.



Stephanie Jones

No activities listed.



Andrew Justus

Football 9, 10. FFA 9, 10, 11, 12. Student Council- 9, 10, 11. Homecoming Court- 12. FBIA- 9

"Take it easy. If it's easy, take it twice."



Andrew Kimbro

JV Football- 10. Varsity Football- 11, 12. Track 11.



William Kimmons

No activities listed.



Timothy King

FFA- 9, 10, 11, 12. Track- 10, 11. Skills USA 12

"Build a tradition, don't stand on one"





Shane Kinmen

No activities listed.



Bobby Kirkpatrick

No activities listed.

"Regret nothing and fear less and live life to the fullest"



Kassandra Kirkpatrick

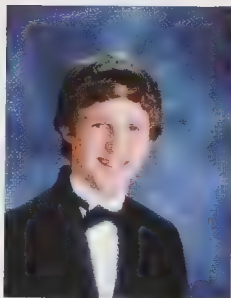
FCA- 9, 10. Spanish Club- 10. FBLA- 10. Chorus- 9, 11. Theatre- 9. Mock Trial- 10. HOSA- 12. JROTC- 12.

"If it is to be, then it is up to me."

James Kitchen

FFA-9, 10, 11, 12.

"Treat others how you want to be treated."



Jennifer Kitchen

Deca-9, 10, 11, 12. Softball-9. JV Cheerleading 10. V. Cheerleading 11, 12. Track-10, 11. Golf- 11. HOSA- 12. Dance Team-12.

"Always forgive but never forget"



Jonathan Knapp

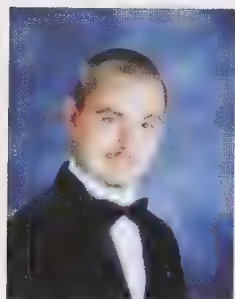
No activities listed.



Kyle Labelle

Newspaper- 11. Choir 12. Yearbook- 12.

"I breathe in hopes that I may, one day, dance across the clouds and kiss the sun goodnight."



Amy Lancaster

DECA- 9, 10, 11, 12. JV Basketball- 9, 10. V. Basketball- 11. Step Team- 9. Track- 9, 10, 11, 12. Tennis- 10, 11, 12. Dance Team- 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 11. HOSA- 11. Swim team- 12. Indoor track- 12.

"Life is too short to live with regrets."



Karina Lee

Yearbook- 12. Newspaper- 11. Diversity- 12



Tessa Lewis

HOSA-11, 12. National Honors Society- 11, 12. Spanish Club-10

"Don't cry because its over- smile because it happened!"



Yamili Lopez

Varsity Soccer- 9, 10, 11, 12. AIM Club- 9, 10, 12.



Heather Lorenz

Chorus- 9, 11, 12. Yearbook- 12. Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12. Interact- 12. Track and Field- 9, 10, 11, 12.

"You can make all A's and still flunk life."



Jessica Loveday

JV Football Cheerleading- 9,10. JV Basketball Cheerleading, 9,10. French Club 9, 10, 11. HOSA 10, 11, 12.

"God will never give you more than you can handle."



Billy Lunsford

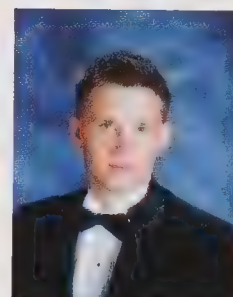
No activities listed.



Michael Lyda

JV Basketball- 9, 10. Varsity Basketball- 11, 12. Tennis- 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 10, 11, 12. Honor Society- 11, 12. Math Competition- 9, 10, 11, 12.

"Life isn't fair; it's just fairer than death, that's all"



Heather Madrid

Track- 9. Golf- 9. Orchestra- 9, 10, 11

Don't regret the things you've done, only things you haven't."



Sarah Maldonado

JV Cheerleading-9, 10. Track- 11, 12. Student Council- 9, 10, 11, 12. FCA 12. Spanish Club- 11, 12.

"Learn from others' mistakes."



Michael Manning

Theatre- 9, 10, 11, 12. French- 12. Musical- 10, 11, 12. NCTC- 11, 12. FBLA- 9, 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12.

"I knew it would get lost..."



Most Unforgettable



1. In your opinion, what makes someone unforgettable?
 Sarah: Making people laugh and being outgoing.
 Valentin: They make an impression that lasts.
2. What has been the most unforgettable event in your life?
 Sarah: I'd say moving to North Carolina.
 Valentin: Probably when we moved from Kansas to North Carolina.
3. What are 3 words that describe you?
 Sarah: Funny, talented, and loud.
 Valentin: Big, funny, and enthusiastic.
4. What teacher has influenced you the most?
 Sarah: Coach Coren; he is a great psychology teacher.
 Valentin: I think all the teachers have impacted me in some way because they all have a different way of teaching.

Valentin Deleon & Sarah Maldonado



Shanice Marshall

Step Team- 9, 10, 12. Theatre- 9, 10, 11. Chorus- 9.

"I can do all things through Christ, who strengthens me."



Valentina Martinez

Step Team- 9. Swim Team 9. AIM Club- 10, 11, 12. FCLA- 9, 10, 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11, 12. HOSA- 11.

"You can forgive, but you can never forget."



George Mayo

No activities listed

Brillany McCall

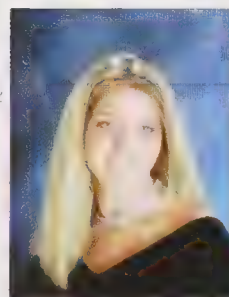
No activities listed.



Jessica McCall

FFA- 9, 10, 11, 12. Skills USA- 11, 12

"Never give up, no matter what."



Cameron McCram

Golf- 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10. Skills USA- 12. Chess Club- 9, 11. National Honor Society- 11, 12

"The purpose of life is to fight maturity"



Class Clown

1. Why do you like making people laugh?

Justin: Because it's what I do.

Shanice: Because laughing is the biggest reward in life, along with smiling and giving.

2. What is the best/worst reaction you've ever gotten from a prank you've pulled?

Justin: Making a teacher laugh when students don't.

Shanice: I guess the worst was getting in trouble and not being funny. The best is people talking about it.

3. Have your antics ever got you in trouble?

Justin: Yes; I just get threatened or told to shut up.

Shanice: Yeah, by being funny at the wrong time.

4. Do you have a favorite comedian?

Justin: Richard Pryor because he's good, original, and really funny.

Shanice: Kat Williams because that person has funny topics that I can relate to.



Justin Chillington & Shanice Marshall

Erin McCraw

No activities listed



Amanda McGrail

No activities listed



George McKee

JV Soccer- 9. Varsity Soccer- 10, 11, 12. Football- 12. DECA- 10, 12.

"The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little extra." Vince Lombardi.



Brandon McKinney

Skills USA 12

Be prepared



Adam McMinn

No activities listed.

"Everything is meant to be broken"



Jeremy McMinn

FFA-9, 10, 11. Skills USA- 12. Key Club- 11, 12.

"Life is simple. You make choices and you don't look back."

Foriah Mielke

No activities listed.



Kesha Miller

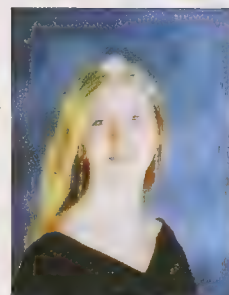
Air Force ROTC- 12. Choir 12

"Live life to the fullest."



Lacie Mills

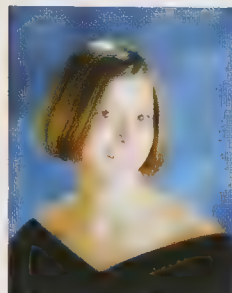
Dance Team- 10, 11. HOSA- 9, 11, 12.
Track 9. J.V. Cheerleading 11



Morgan Minnick

DECA- 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10.
Swim Team- 10, 11, 12.

"To live would be an awfully big
adventure" -PP



Halyn Moeks

No activities listed.



Jason Moffit

FCA 9, 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 11,
12. Student Council- 11, 12. National
Honors Society- 11, 12. Marching
Band 9, 10.

"Never give just 99.99%"

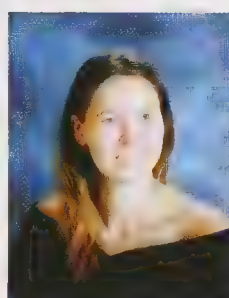
Heriberto Montes

French Club- 9, 10.



Lena Moore

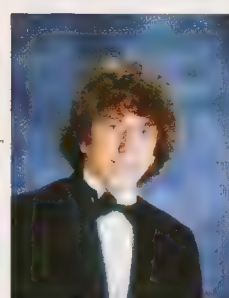
No activities listed.



Ryan Moore

VICA- 12. Skills USA- 12.

"Take it easy. If it's easy, take it twice."



Felisha Morgan

No activities listed.

"Live life to its fullest"



Chelsea Morrow

Choir 9, 10, 11. HOSA 9, 10.

"I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me." -Phillipian 4:13



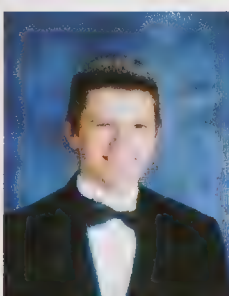
Ben Moss

Skills USA 12. VICA 12

"Keep striving for excellence."

Shane Meyers

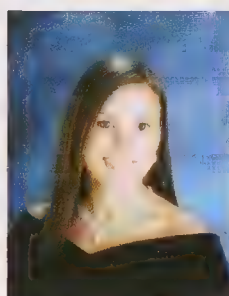
No activities listed.



Ciara Newman

Dance Team-10, 11, 12. Musical- 10,
12. Theatre-9, 10, 12. National
Honors Society- 11, 12. Student
Council-9.

"Live each day as if it were your last"



Trey Nicholson

Varsity Basketball- 9, 10, 11, 12.

"All things through Christ who
strengthens me."



Cara Norris

No activities listed.



Sean Owen

DECA- 9, 10, 12. Newspaper- 11
Yearbook- 10, 11, 12.

"No one can kill a nerd- we know at
least three good ways to resurrect
ourselves."



Krislin Pace

JV Softball 9, 10. Varsity Softball 11,
12. Spanish Club- 11. Marching
Band- 9, 10. Concert Band- 10. Key
Club 9

"Live each day as if it were your last."



Daniel Park

DECA 11, 12. Student Council- 11, 12.
Chess Club- 9, 10. Concert Band-9, 10
Men's Tennis- 11, 12. Men's Varsity
Soccer-12. Swim Team- 12. Table
Tennis Club-11, 12. Show Choir 12.

"Nobody can be you as efficiently as
you can" -Norman Vincent Peale



Rachel Park

DECA- 11, 12. Swim Team- 11.
Soccer- 11, 12.



Juan Parracuelo

Marching Band- 9, 10, 11, 12.

"Don't ask unless you really want
know."

Leslee Petersen

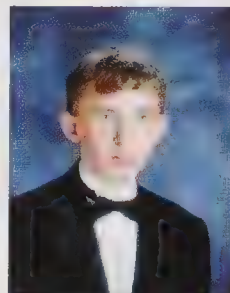
Chess Club-9, 10, 11, 12.
Marching Band- 9.

"I've never let my schooling get in the
way of my education"



Jonathan Pressly

No activities listed.



Brittany Prince

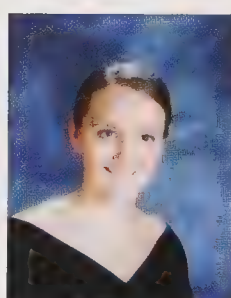
National Honors Society- 12.



Jaycee Prindle

Cross Country- 9. Student Council- 10,
11, 12. DECA- 12. Ballroom Dancing-
11, 12. Senior Brother- 12. Spanish
Club- 11.

"Life is too short, so take hold of it and
live it."



Susan Pryor

JV Girls Basketball-9. JV Girls
Volleyball-9, 10. Varsity Girls
Basketball-10, 11. Varsity Girls
Volleyball-11. Spanish Club-10. Student
Council-10, 11, 12. Key Club-10,
11, 12.

"Never be afraid to try something new"



Victor Pryor III

FBLA 9, 10, 11, 12. DECA- 12.
Spring Musical- 10, 11. NCTC- 1

"Yeah! Yeah! Quadpod! Yeah!"

*Brittany Pugh
Honeycutt*

DECA- 10, 11.



*Christopher
Rawlings*

Golf- 9, 10, 11, 12.

"Live your life to the fullest."



Sarah Ray

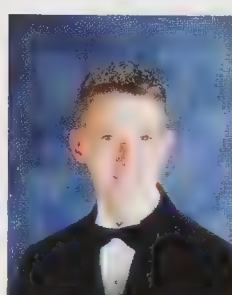
French Club-10, 11. ACLU- 11.
National Honors Society- 11, 12.
International Thespian Society- 11, 12.
Ballroom Club- 11, 12. NCTC- 11, 12.
Spring Musical- 10, 11, 12.

"Critics are only experts in their own
opinions"



Renae Revitzer

No activities listed.



Jacob Rhinehart

Cross Country- 10, 11. Track- 12.
Wrestling- 10, 11



Carson Rhodes

JV Football- 9. JV Basketball- 9, 10
Varsity Football- 10, 11, 12.
Varsity Basketball- 11, 12.
National Honors Society- 12. Choir
HOSA- 11, 12.

"Every man dies, but not every man
lives."

Dustin Robinson

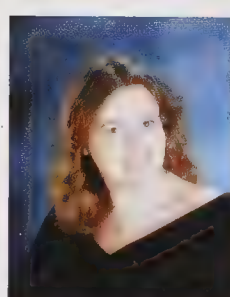
Wrestling- 9, 10. JV Football- 10
Varsity Football- 11. FFA- 10, 11, 12.



Danielle Rodgers

Newspaper- 10, 11. Yearbook- 12.
Student Council-11. Spirit Squad-11, 12.

"Live, love, laugh!"



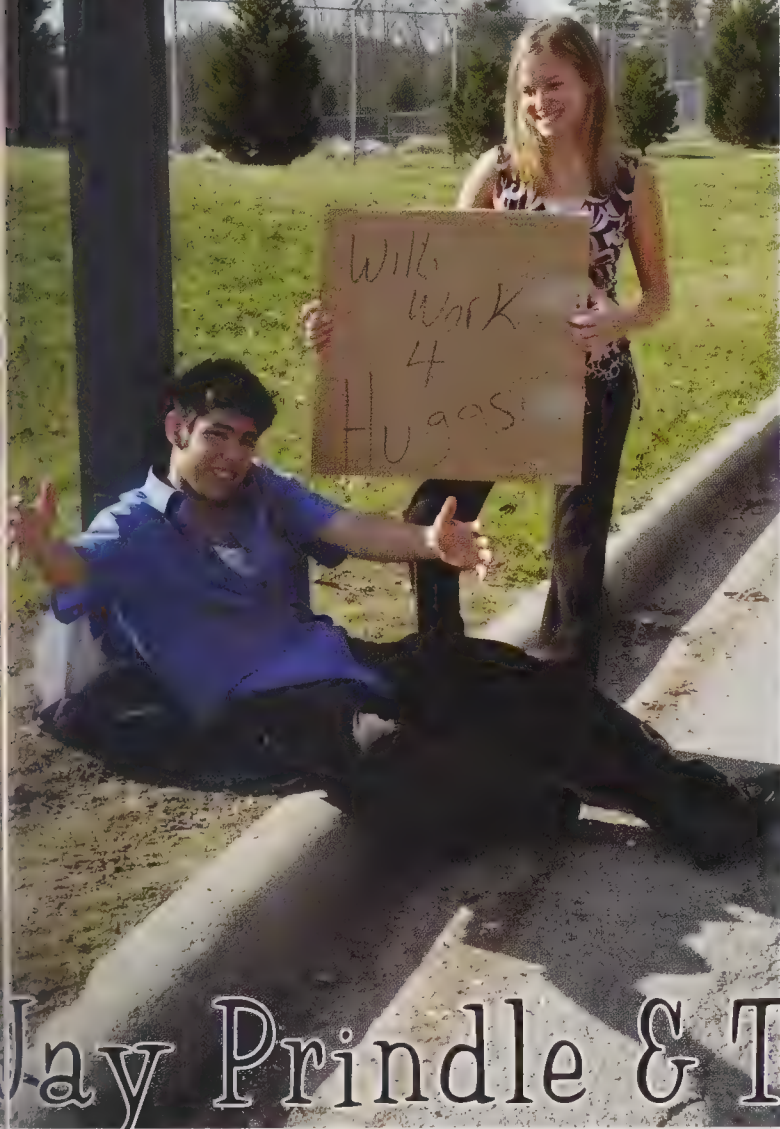
Lucy Rodriguez

No activities listed.

"Live, Laugh, Love"



Most Friendly



1. Why do you think being friendly to others is important?

Jay: So you can build a good, personal relationship.

Terri: Because everyone has feelings and deserves to be treated nicely.

2. What motivates you to be friendly?

Jay: Just to see reactions of being happy after having a bad day.

Terri: Its just not in me to be mean to someone.

3. How do you react when people are unfriendly to you?

Jay: Be friendly back.

Terri: Sometimes it really hurts my feelings, but I try to look past it.

4. What is your favorite memory of high school?

Jay: Hanging out with friends.

Terri: Everyday holds special memories.

Jay Prindle & Teri Carter



Cody Rogers

No activites listed.



Corey Rogers

No activites listed.



Caillin Rosborough

Football Cheerleading- 10.
Basketball Cheerleading, 10

"Always forgive, but never forget."

Joshua Ruff

CA-9, 10, 11, 12. Spanish
ib- 10, 11. C.T.E. Scholar- 11, 12.
Musical- 12.

Life is what happens while you're
making plans." -John Lennon



David Sain

No activites listed.



Shawn Sellers

Key Club- 10, 11. Pep Club- 12
Soccer- 10, 11, 12



Most Athletic

1. What influences do sports play in your life?

Kenneth: My competitiveness.

Corey: They are very important because they allow me to have fun and contribute leadership.

2. What is your favorite sport to play?

Kenneth: Baseball or ping pong.

Corey: Volleyball.

3. What is your favorite sport to watch on television?

Kenneth: College football.

Corey: Baseball or college basketball.

4. What are your plans for after high school?

Kenneth: Go to college to play baseball or football.

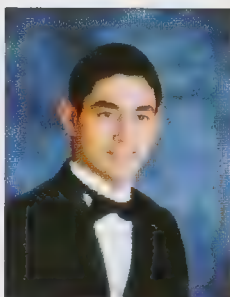
Corey: I want to attend a four year university and major in Health Care Administration and then get my masters degree.



Corey Williams & Kenneth Brandt

Andrew Sherrill

No activites listed



Rigoberto Silva

No activites listed.



Constance Sinclair

HOSA 11, 12.

"With God, all things are possible."



Bridget Sluder

National Honors Society- 11, 12
PCA- 9, 10, 12, Junior Marshal- 11.
BASIC- 10, FLBA- 10, Concert Band-
10, Jazz Band- 10, Key Club- 10, 11,
12, Student Council- 11, 12, Spirit
Squad- 11, 12, French Club- 12, J.V.
Volleyball- 9, Varsity Volleyball 12
Volleyball Statistician- 10, 11

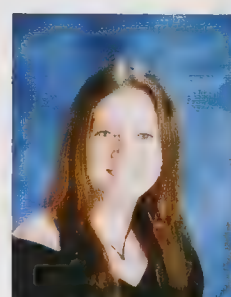
"Only a life lived for others is a life
worthwhile." - Einstein



Vanessa Staley

Marching Band- 9, 10, 11.
Symphonic Band- 9, 10, 11.
Step Team- 11, 12.

"Through Christ I can do all things"



Laura Slave

No activites listed.

Corey Stepp

oting Team- 9, 10. FFA- 9, 10, 12.
s USA- 11.

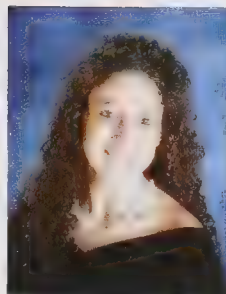
ike and Bake!"



Christina Storm

Student Council- 9, 10, 11, 12
Cross Country- 9, 10, 11, 12
Track- 9, 10, 11, 12. JV Basketball 9.
10. Varsity Basketball 11
FCA- 9, 10, 11. Indoor Track- 12
National Honors Society- 11

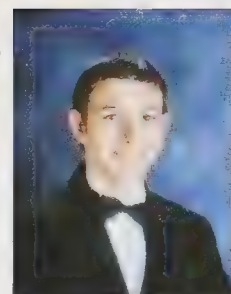
"You can have roots and wings." -Sweet
Home Alabama



Benjamin Sullles

DECA- 9, 10, 11, 12. JROTC 12

"I do what I want."



Kayla Swann

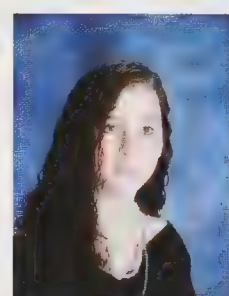
JV Cheerleading- 9. Dance Team- 12
Varsity Cheerleading- 10, 11, 12.
Swim Team- 9. Track- 10, 11, 12
HOSA- 9, 10, 11, 12. Student
Council- 10.

"Problems can't be solved in the minds
of the creators."



Kayla Tatham

JV Softball- 9, 10. DECA- 10, 11
Varsity Softball- 11, 12. Golf- 11, 12

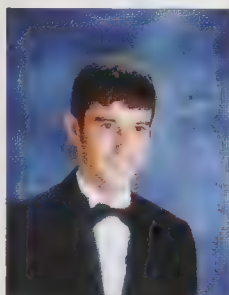


Amber Taylor

No activities listed.

Carson Thomas

JV Baseball- 9. VICA- 12.
Varsity Baseball- 10, 11, 12.



Austin Tiller

Yearbook- 10, 11, 12.

"Evil needs nothing to prevail, but the
in difference of good men."



Ashley Turner

No activities listed.



Holly Tillers

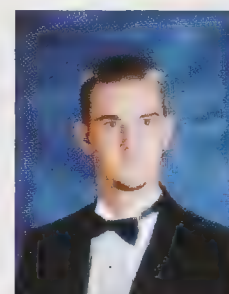
No activities listed.



Brillanny VanCannon

JV Volleyball- 9, 10. FCA 9, 10, 11, 12.
Varsity Volleyball- 11, 12. Key Club- 10,
11, 12. Crime Stoppers 11, 12
Honors Society- 11, 12. Spirit Squad- 11.

"In all you ways acknowledge him and he
will direct your path." -Proverbs 3:66



Tyler Walker

Varsity Football- 10, 11, 12. J.V.
Basketball- 9, 10. Varsity Basketball
11, 12. Key Club- 10, 11, 12
National Honors Society- 11, 12

"I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me."
Phillipians 4:13

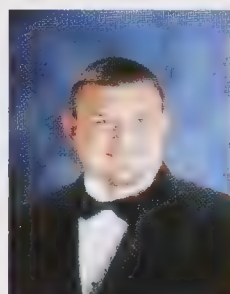
Rachael Warren

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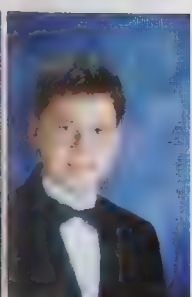
Travis Warren

No activities listed



Laci White

No activities listed.



Jeremy Wilder

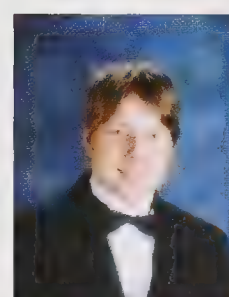
Student Council- 9, 10, 11, 12
Key Club- 10, 11, 12. Senior Big
Brother- 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11
National Honors Society- 11, 12.
Math Team- 9, 10, 11, 12



Corey Williams

JV Basketball- 9, 10. JV Volleyball- 9,
10. Varsity Volleyball- 11, 12. Year
book- 10, 11, 12. Key Club- 10, 11, 12.
French Club- 11, 12. National Honors
Society- 11, 12. Choir- 12. Track- 11
Student Council- 9, 10. FCA 12.

"Draw a circle around the one you love
because a heart can be broken."



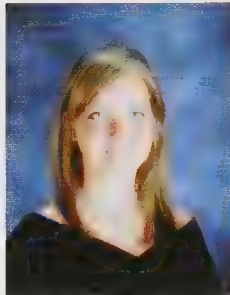
Keith Williams

No activities listed.



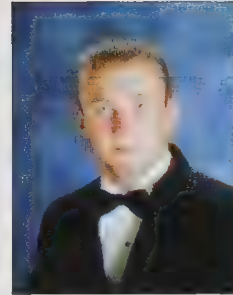
Laura Williams

No activites listed.



Tiffani Williams

No activites listed.



Trevor Williams

No activites listed.

Amber Wilson

Dance Team- 10, 11, 12. Spanish Club- 10, 11. National Honors Society- 11, 12. Key Club- 10.



Kristen Wilson

No activites listed.

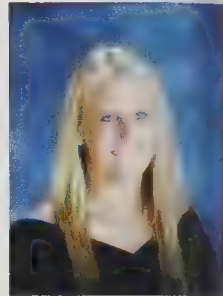
"Dream as if you will live forever. Live as if you will die tomorrow."
James Dean.



Jennifer Wolfe

JV Football Cheerleading 9.
Varsity Basketball Cheerleading-9, 10, 11, 12. Varsity Football Cheerleading- 10, 11, 12. FCA-9, 10. DECA- 10. Spanish Club-9, 10, 11.

"Tomorrow is a privilege, so live today like tomorrow isn't going to come"



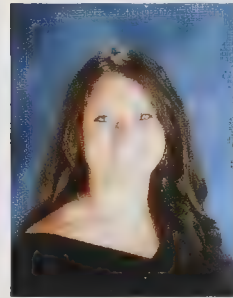
James Wolk

No activites listed.



Ashley Wood

J.V. Basketball- 9. J.V. Volleyball 9, 10. Tennis- 11, 12. J.V. Softball- 9. Varsity Softball- 10, 11, 12.

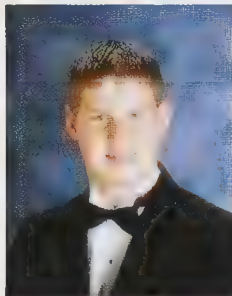


Megan Wood

No activites listed.

Steven Yockey

No activites listed.



Kristan Young

Track- 9. Cheerleading- 10. DECA- 9. Musical- 9, 10. HOSA- 11, 12. National Honors Society- 11, 12. Spanish Club- 11, 12. Interact- 11.

"You must believe in yourself, and then others will"





THE TOP THE JOB

Juniors are slowly climbing their way to the top.

Freshmen look pretty shrimp and lost in the eyes of upperclassmen. Apparently, those upperclassmen don't remember being just the same. All high school students were freshmen once, but now, juniors are experiencing the anticipation of being a senior—being so close to the end, and with this accomplishment comes responsibility. As students climb the high school food chain, they gain more privileges like getting first choice on lockers and parking spots. Junior Mary Parks said, "I've grown up and that's why I've gotten all these freedoms." "Your freshman year is kind of hard because people look down on you, and sophomore year is just long. Then [in junior year] it's hard classes," Junior Lisa Ramsey said. Many students will agree that Junior year is one of the hardest academic years. This isn't exactly ideal, but it has worked.

The idea of graduating in just a year can bring many emotions to a student's mind. "It's confusing because all your emotions get jumbled, and you just wait; try not to think about it," said Mary. Many people anticipate graduating, but the seemingly endless repetition of school is also comforting for some. It's routine. "I'm going to miss it because most of my memories are from school from the past 12 years," Junior David Nieto said. Juniors are getting ready for their senior years, but for now, they are still waiting, almost at the top.



Jacob Alexander



Sandra Alkemper



Latesha Allen



Donnie Anderson



Jessica Bachman



Michael Baer



Lacie Baker



Mauricio Barco



Courtney Barnwell



Jessica Bartolet



Benjamin Baxley



Phillip Beal



Melisa Behringer



Brittany Bell



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Matthew Bodenhamer



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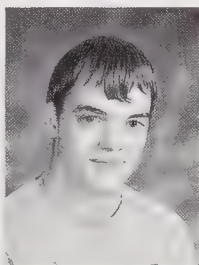
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Cody Calton



Joseph Canfield



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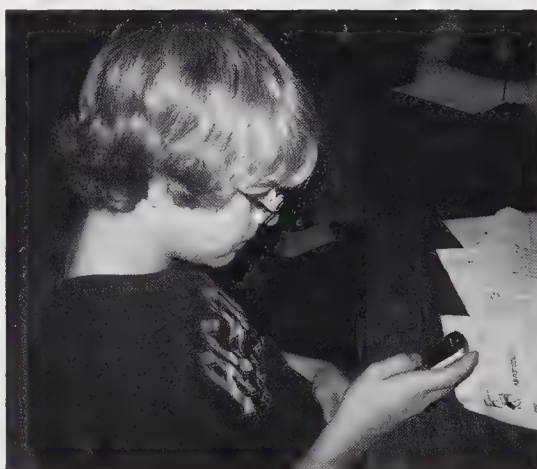
Change in school rules

School rules are always changing. Every year something changes. Of course the size of the rule varies, as does who it effects. Juniors have tried to deal with their fair share of changes recently. Two recent changes have been the suspension of warning bells and the new tardy policy.

Students loved the idea of warning bells before every class. They meant it was time to stop socializing and get a move to class. "I liked the warning bells. They kept me on track and on time," Junior Cassie Thompson shares. "So yeah, I miss them, but whatever." Many students share the same opinion of the warning bells.

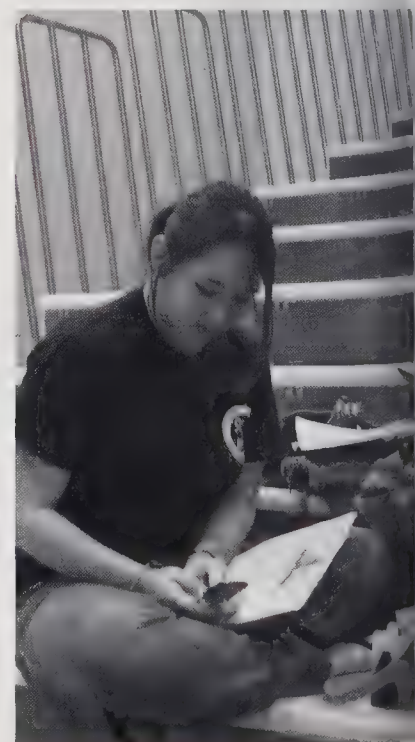
The other major change has been the new tardy policy. "I really don't like the tardy policy," said Junior Ben Baxley "I've been in ISS four times because of it and I have lost four periods of class time just because I was a few minutes late." This stricter tardy policy and the lack of warning bells stirs up quite a few complaints among students.

There are a few other minor rule changes; vending machines can't be used before one P.M.; girls are not allowed to have writing across the back of their pants; cell phones are now allowed in school, but only if they're off. These don't affect Juniors quite as much as the tardy bells, but they are a change regardless.



Above: Freshman Seth Murray texts during class despite the fact that school rules forbid it.

Right: Sophomores Laura Beth Doi, Lacie Peters and Christina Pryor text their friends during gym class, hoping they won't get caught.

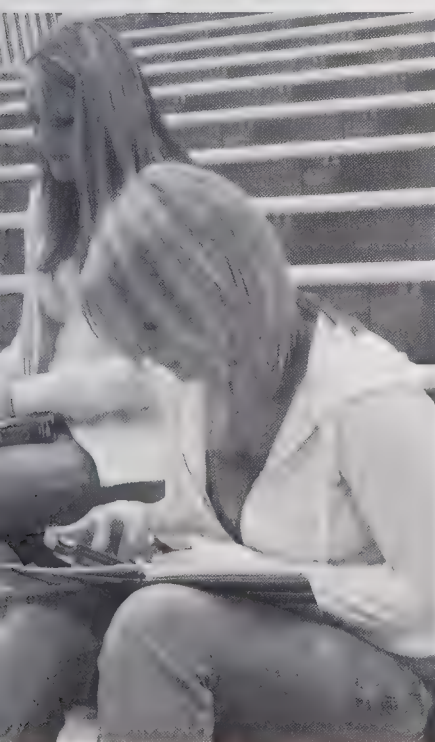




Freshman Arthur Hillard is seen text messaging in class. Many students use text messages to communicate when they are in separate classes or even across a room from one another.



Listening to her Ipod, Senior Vanessa Staley looks out for teachers so she doesn't get caught.



Dmitriy Demchuk



Jose Diaz



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Mattie Drake



Thomas Drye



Sterling Ducker



Brandon Dunning



Kendall Edwards



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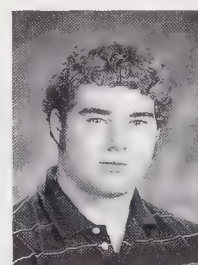
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Felisha Garren



James Garren



Patrick Garren



Tyler Garren



Bradley Gass



Ethan Gibbs



Kasey Gibbs



Kristian Gilbert



Ronnie Gilbert



Joshua Goldstein



Holli Gooch



Jacquelyn Goodwin

WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR FAVORITE PART OF THE JUNIOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM?



Erica Gosnell



Jessica Green



Taylor Griffin



Yajaira Guevara



Joshua Hall



Justice Hardesty



Andrew Harris



Michael Harwood



Cameron Heatherly



Joseph Heaton



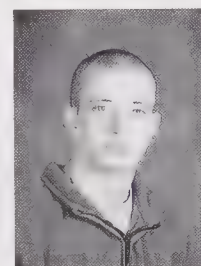
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Timothy Hensley



Jacob Hill



Andrew Holder



Dalton Huntley



Luke Huntley



Kristina Jackson



Charles Johnson



Cory Johnson



Sarah Jones



Taylor Kennedy



Shamonie Kinard



Benjamin Klumpp



Katelyn Kmiecik

Patrick Singletary



Missing schoolwork and meeting people from other schools and getting to know how Henderson County works.

Knowing that you get to work with leadership skills and meet other people from different schools. The food's always good too.



Krantz McGlasson

Kenny Rodriguez

It gives you great leadership skills; it allows you to meet people from other schools.



Meeting new people from other schools and learning how to become a leader in the community.



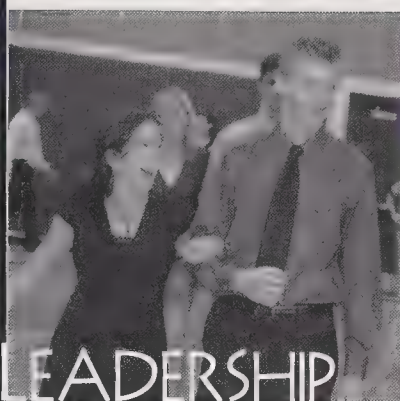
Lauren Odom

Junior year is definitely a stressful year in high school. It's the year that students have to prove that they have what it takes grade-wise and maturity-wise to be a senior. As a Junior, it is important to be active in both the school and community. The Junior Leadership program helps equip a select group of juniors for their senior year. A group of teachers chose four students who had a 3.8 GPA or higher, that were involved in school activities, and that show good leadership skills. The juniors chosen for the program this year are Kenny Rodriguez, Krantz McGlasson, Lauren Odom, and Patrick Singletary.

The Junior Leadership program allows juniors to get involved in activities in the community. The Junior Leaders learn about different types of government and do service projects. "I've really enjoyed meeting the different leaders in our community," said Lauren Odom. Once a month, these four students get to leave school and participate in their activities. Junior Leaders learn about local businesses and how to improve their people skills. The program allows the students to work together with student from different schools to help each other gain initiative. Many students expect to excel in communication skills and leadership skills in the community. "I accepted the invitation to join the Junior Leadership development program because I think that it is a great opportunity to meet new people and learn strong leadership skills," said Kenny Rodriguez.

All Junior Leaders seem to benefit from the program. The program helps to round the students into great future leaders.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP



LEADERSHIP LEADERSHIP

Juniors, to the front line!



Doreen Krause



Bryan Lamb



Kalem Lewis



Matthew Lewis



Scott Lindsay



Lucretia Logan



Michael Lolley



Chelsea Loveday



Sean Lovern



Loretta Ludwig



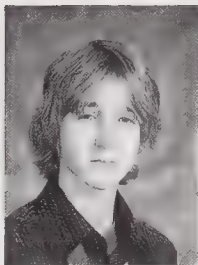
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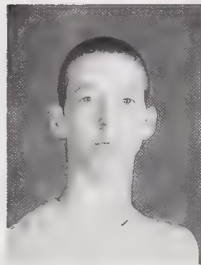
Bianca Maciel



During Student Council, Kenny played the part of both the student and the teacher in the Student Council.



Ryan Maslow



Carey Maxwell



Casondra Maybin



Tiffany Mcfee



Krantz McGlasson



Stephen McKinney



Morgan McMinn



Heather McMurray



Jacqueline McMurray



Dustin Miller

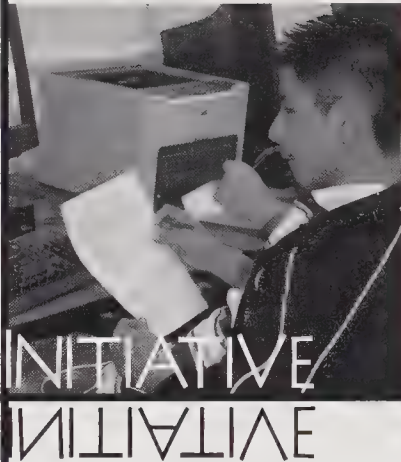


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TAKING



INITIATIVE
Juniors prepare themselves for college.

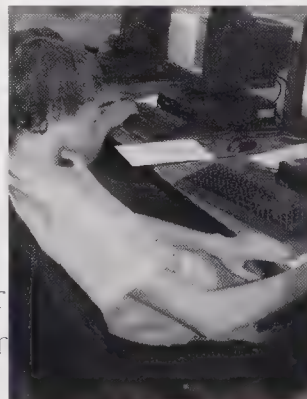
Junior year is the year that many students begin checking out colleges and preparing for their futures. Juniors are beginning to go to the career center and ask Mr. Edwards for advice about college. "Mainly people who come to me are people who aren't sure about what they want to do after high school," said Mr. Edwards. Many juniors aren't sure about how they are

supposed to go about searching for colleges. Mr. Edwards is in the career center to provide students with guidance and suggestions on how to choose a college that is right for them.

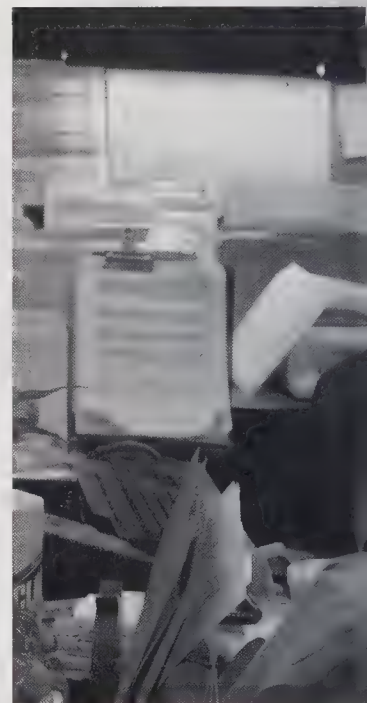
There have been a few juniors who have visited the career center for help on how to choose the right college. "I've looked up different colleges on the computer to see what majors they offer," said Junior Ravin Patel. Many juniors say that they want to decide what college they go to based on what majors the colleges offer. "I've looked at statistics for getting into the University of Georgia. I've looked at GPA and test score requirements. I've also looked at my chances of getting into Georgia based on my residency in North Carolina," said Junior Patrick Singletary.

Mr. Ed Lewis has decided to take some of his art classes to the career center to get them thinking about what they would like to do later in life. He wants to give his junior students an opportunity to look at SAT dates and to give them a head start on college searches. It's always a good idea to let students know that they have many choices and plenty of time to choose their careers. "I'm trying to make it a point that they can always change their mind," said Mr. Lewis.

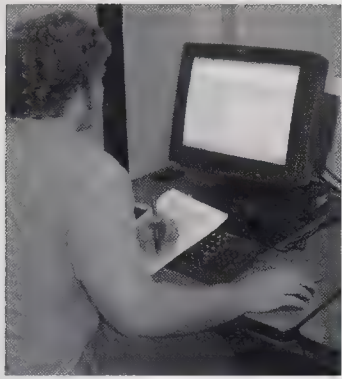
It's a good idea to begin looking at colleges as a junior to make the search easier as a senior. The career center is open all day for students who need help with their college issues.



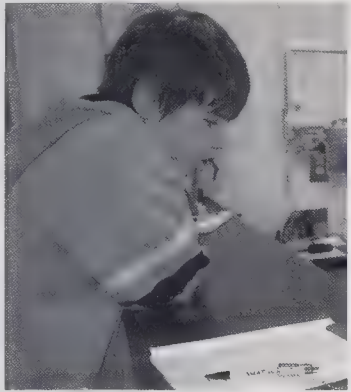
Junior Kyle Taylor takes notes on some local colleges and the requirements for an application.



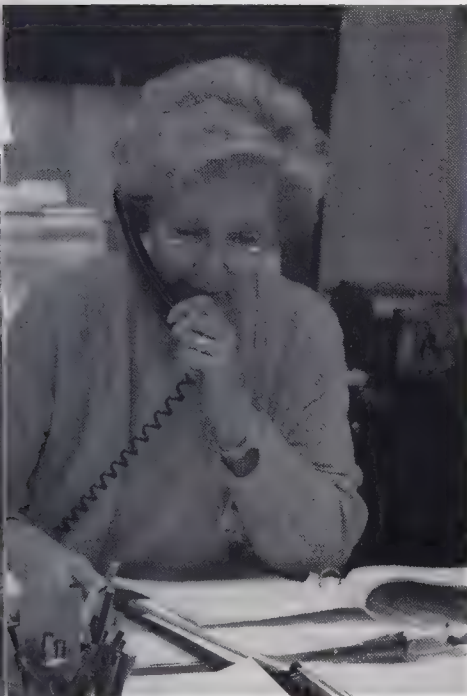
Above: Ms. Merrell takes phone calls in the guidance office. The guidance counselors play a large part in the search for a college process. Right: Shawn Lovern looks up college information during Mr. Lewis's art class.



Above: Junior Patrick Garren organizes the information he plans to send to his hopeful colleges. He, as well as the rest of Mr. Lewis's art class, was required to make a resume.



Above: Freshman Ian Novan looks over his work before turning it in. Good grades are the key to getting into a good college.



Antonia Moreno



Jenny Moreno



Rebecca Morrison



Ashley Moses



Shelby Murray



Nathan Nalley



Julia Neal



Glen Neese



Jena Newman



David Nieto



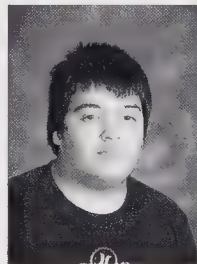
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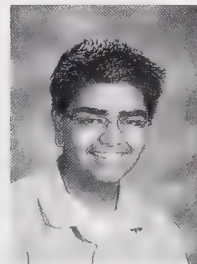
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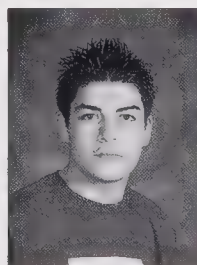
Kerry Plaice



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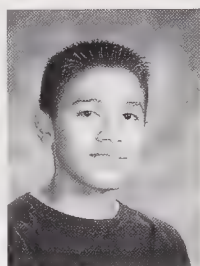
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Kenny Rodriguez



Samarth Rodriguez



Angel Rodriquez



Jennifer Rosadio



Michael Schott



Joshua Schultz



Laura Shipley



Shyanne Simons



Patrick Singletary



James Smith



Matthew Smith



Tyler Spangler



Alexander Sprude



Caitlin Stepp



Jessica Stewart



Austin Sturdivant



Kimberley Sullivan



Sophomore Elizabeth Franklin pays close attention during the after school SAT prep program. Many students took advantage of the free prep training.

The SAT. Many students fear it, yet it is essentially

the very key to which the door of college opens. The SAT requirements at every college vary, but mostly colleges require halfway decent scores for admissions.

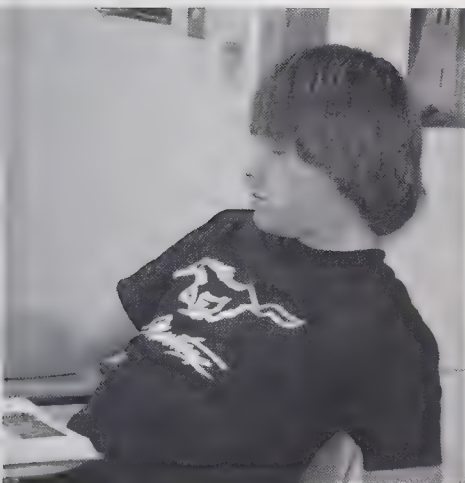
The SAT consists of different sections of different subjects. The SAT has also in recent years underwent some changes. It now has an extended math section and a writing section. Recently, SAT prep classes have been set-up here in the afternoons to aid students in getting ready to take the SAT. Junior Lauren Odom has already taken the SAT once and is attending the prep classes to better her score the next go around. "I attended all the sessions. We did an essay, sentence completion, math, and pretty much every other section of the SAT," she reports. The prep class also guided students to figure out where they needed help and what areas they were strong in. "The camp showed me what areas I need help in and gave me a great chance to practice a little more," said Senior Vanessa Staley. The prep classes also had their share of fun with food, drinks, and good old laughs.

No matter how you look at it, the SAT is a mandatory part of getting into the college of your dreams, and will probably continue to be that doorway for the rest of time.



PREP
BOOK

Juniors get ready for the big test.



Left: Junior Andrew Harris sits back and tries to relax. Studying can be very stressful. Below: Senior Kayla Tatham studies efficiently. She won't let stress get in the way of her studying.



Gregory Tabor



Vidal Tan



Victoria Tate



Britney Tatters



Kyle Taylor



Mary Thompson



Patricia Tomas



Ovidia Toro



Christopher Vanlandingham



Samantha Veruete



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Amanda Wilson



Brittany Wilson



Jordan Winslow



Nickolas Wise



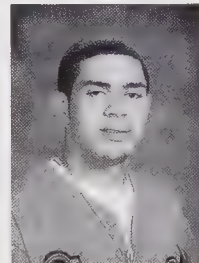
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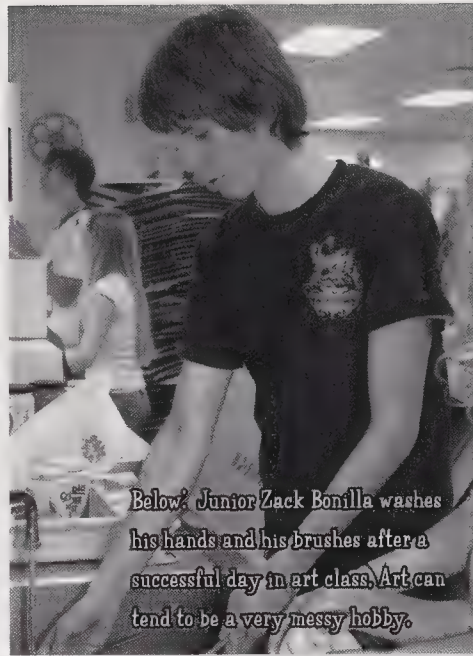
Michael Wuttke



James Wynn



Kristofer Youngblood



Below: Junior Zack Bonilla washes his hands and his brushes after a successful day in art class. Art can tend to be a very messy hobby.



Baby dolls, Christmas ornaments, cactus plants and Styrofoam heads... To many, Mr. Lewis's art room is an amazing sight, but for the juniors, it's a comfort. "It's exciting," said Junior Art 1 student Erica Gosnell. "You'd want to go to that class!"

With Ms. Runkle stepping in as a new teacher, twice as many art classes are available for juniors to choose from. "I enjoy all aspects of art," said Junior Art 4 student Ethan Pressley. "Art class is a fun and enjoyable class that teaches appreciation of art." Many students, like Ethan, have learned to master their techniques and have gained a respect for the hard work that goes into creating a good piece of art. "I used to [find certain things difficult] but not anymore. Things come to me pretty easily," said Junior Honors B student Chad West. "The more I think about who I am, the more I come up with ideas to express [myself]." Chad, like many others, highly suggests taking an art class. "You never know if you've got some locked up potential," he said. As art students begin taking higher levels of art, they are given more freedom with their subject matter and media. "I either get into it or I don't," said Junior Art 4 student Jacob Hill. "If someone makes me draw, I don't get into it."

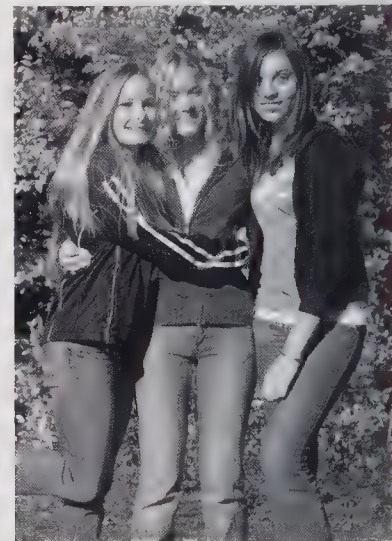
With the newfound artistic freedom and the awesome environment that surrounds them, it's no wonder that juniors are enjoying themselves so much. "I like to draw," said Junior Honors A student Patrick Garren. "It's just something I like to do. It's a fun class."

REFINING THE ARTS

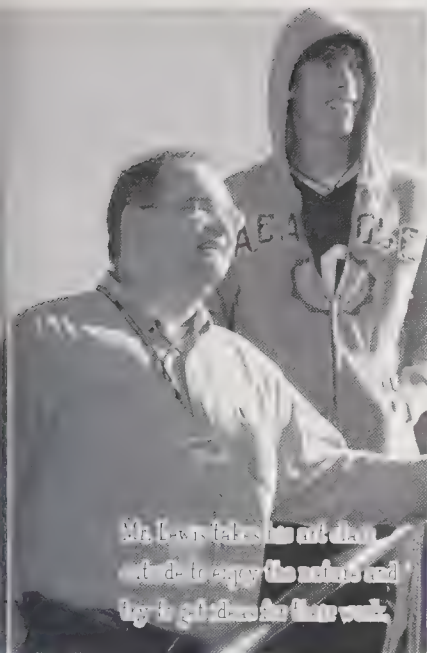


THE ARTS

Arts classes unite



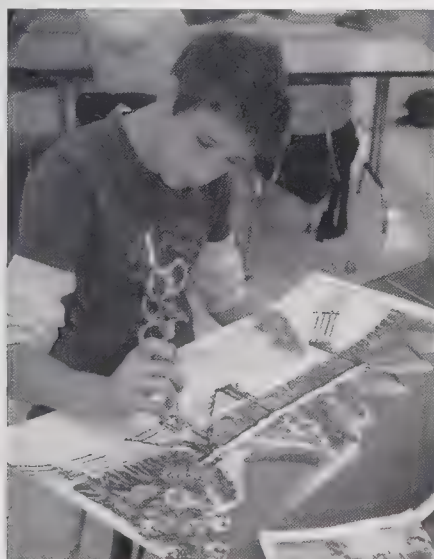
Sophomores Elizabeth Kilman, Corissa Garren, and Erica Easler pose for the camera in front of the school.



Mr. Lewis takes his art class out to enjoy the outdoors by taking them to work.



Above: Senior Sarah Ray concentrates as she adds the finishing touches to her art project. Below: Sophomore Sam Julian concentrates hard on his art work. Most of the kids in art take their work very seriously.

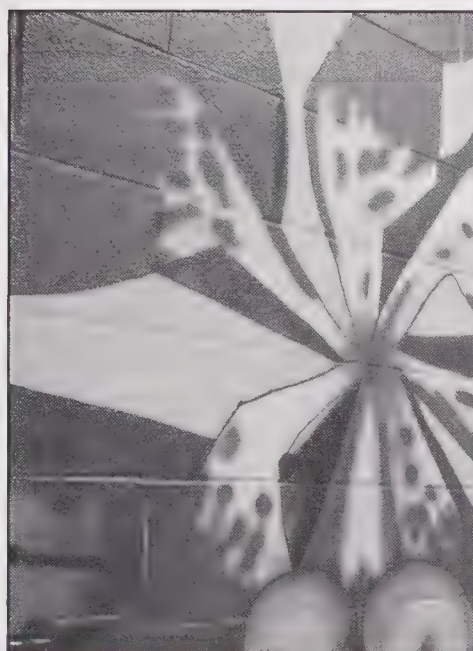


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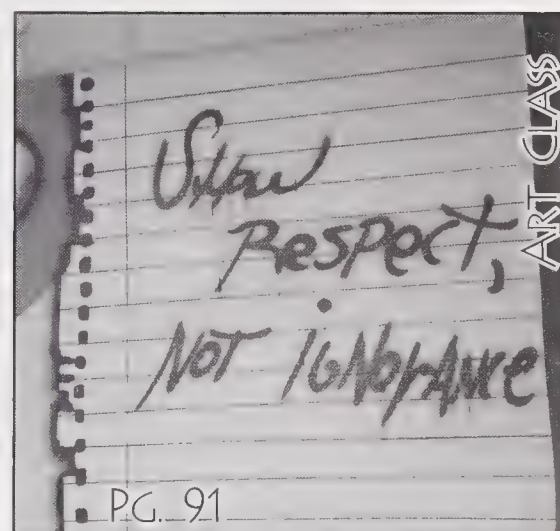
Victoria Tale?

She usually wear Nikes that she gets from Hibbets. Her favorite place to eat is McDonalds where she always gets a double cheeseburger, fries and a drink. She loves to hang out at the movies. Her favorite sport is soccer and her favorite season is summer because there are no allergies.

"My favorite places to shop are Victoria's Secret and Bath and Body Works."



Mr. Lewis' art classes took up the project of painting the graffiti filled bathrooms with art.



ART CLASS



Nancy Aguilon



Daniel Alfaro



Stephanie
Alvarenga



Kasey Nicole
Anders



Alyssa Grace
Andreotta



Holly Babbitt



Ashleigh Bargiol



Jacqueline
Barrera



Lauren Benson



Alex Berner



Jeremy Dean
Blackwell



Michael Alois
Borsody

H I G H E R



PLACE GRACE

As the freshmen move in, the
sophomores make their way up.

Students agree that the second year of high school tends to be better than the first since they already know their way around the school. The classes are tougher to some students, but others think differently. For example, some think that English is a lot easier than their freshmen year's English classes, but math gets a lot harder. "[I think] Algebra 2 is a lot more difficult," said Sophomore Holly Mehaffey.

As freshmen, students aren't treated with the kind of respect that they deserve from other students, but as their grade gets higher they slowly gain more seniority. "You get to do little more things and you're not treated as badly," said Sophomore Kye Murphy. Now that students are treated with a bit more respect, they don't have to worry as much as they used to. "The best part of being a sophomore is the fact that you get more responsibilities," said Kye.

In their sophomore year, the students are allowed to join in new clubs and new teams as well. As freshmen, girls weren't allowed to join the dance team but, now that they're sophomores, they can. "[I can finally] be on the dance team. I love to dance and it's nice to be with people that like the same thing," said Holly. Joining new clubs can be exciting. Students who wanted to join the Key Club in their freshmen year can finally join. Also those who were on JV sports teams have much more of a chance of making varsity.

Sometimes, remembering what it felt like being a freshman for the first (and only) time can make one can miss the activities they did. Many students keep some of the activities as favorite memories. "I loved playing soccer [in P.E.]," said Sophomore Laura Redden, "and the free Fridays [we had]." Still, most agree that being a sophomore is way better than being a freshman because they are actually one step closer to finishing high school.



Left: Sophomore Zack
Hogan gets some help
from Mr. King before
the final EOC's.

Below Left: Sophomore
Marc Lytle goes up for
a layup in gym class.

Sophomores Heather McMinn, Danielle Nix and Brittni Powers practice their beatbox skills in the hall for one of their classes.



Ryan Brackett



Brittany Bradford



Christopher Bradley



Katie Lynn Bradley



John Colby Britt



Joshua Brown



Matthew Brown



Travis Dillon Brown



Jordan Brunelle



Caleb Bradldley-Bryan



Nathan Burnham



Brandon Calloway



Daniel Calvillo



Andrew David Campbell



Felicia Nicol Carlisle



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Zachary Clayton



Michael Clifford



Monae Cobb



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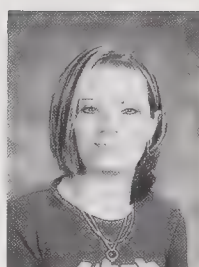
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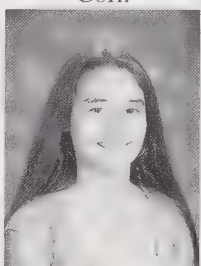
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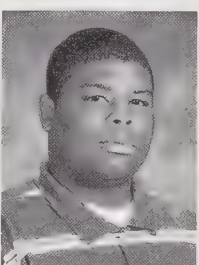
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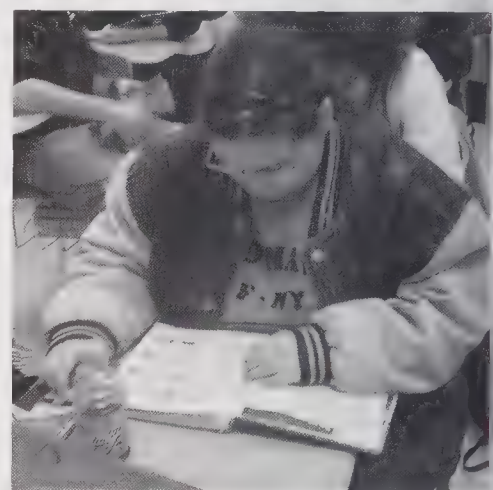
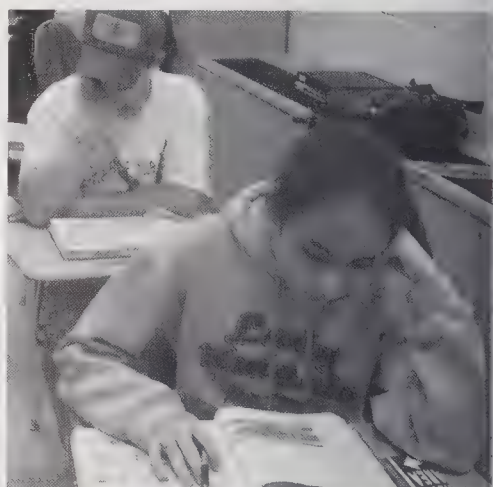
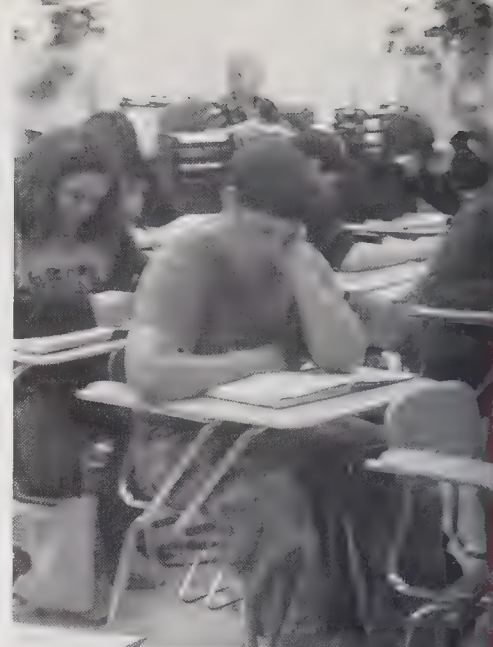
Erica Easler



Tristan Kayne
Edney



Christopher Ellis



Top: Students work hard in
drivers' ed in hopes to pass the
drivers' test.

Middle: Freshman Aerika
Almanza concentrate as she
studies for her future permit test.
Bottom: Freshman Robin Garren
focuses on her work in the drivers'
ed class after school.



H I T T H E



ROAD BOAD

It may drive you crazy, but at least you're driving.

One day during second period, the students are waiting patiently for the announcements to end when, all of the sudden, they hear that the Drivers Education classes are going to start. Driver's Ed. is one of the most awaited courses that students want to take. Many students take this class so they can start driving at an early age and not have to ride the school bus anymore. Students who have completed this course must get a certificate from the guidance office before going to the DMV to get their limited drivers permits.

There is a lot of stuff that has to be done for one to get their permit. Students need to score at least eighty percent on the alcohol and signs test to pass the class, as well as pass the driving portion of the class. Students are required to have six hours behind the wheel and must have at least 10 hours of bookwork. Before anyone can drive they must pass the eye exam.

During Drivers Ed., students read out of the text book and take tests for every chapter that they read. Lots of people enjoyed the teacher and said he was doing his job great. "The best part of Drivers Ed was talking to the teacher" said Sophomore Michael Clifford. It's once the students finish the class when the fun part starts. The student must wait until they are called to drive during or after school. Most students anticipate their driving days and nerves tend to follow them into the Drivers Ed. car. "I was not nervous about getting behind the wheel of the car," said Sophomore Margarita Orr "since I been behind the wheel of a car before." Even with all the bookwork in the classroom and all the nerves in the car, students still agree that the class is worth it.



Joshua Shayne
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Lindsey Brook
Estes



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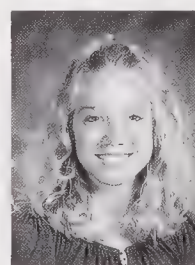
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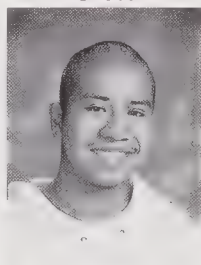
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Johnny Guananga



Francisco
Guardian



Ethan Hardin



Everett Hardin



Daniel Hare



Cassandra Hart



Cody Allen
Harwood



Jesseca Heatherly

SCHOOL



EXPENSES

Willing to spend the money to
better our school.

It takes a lot of money
to fill up the parking
lot. Parking stickers
ran at \$40 this year.



Painting the bathrooms took a
lot of paint, which cost a lot of
money. Students agree that it
is well worth it though.

On the first day of the new school year, students were shocked when they went to lunch. The long lines weren't shocking at all for the sophomores since the students were used to them from last year. What shocked them were the new lunch prices.

Since the increase of lunch prices and parking stickers, students have been spending more money than ever. Many think that students should not have to pay for anything. The parking stickers were only \$40 for both semesters last year but now they're \$45. "I don't think we should pay for parking," said Sophomore Kamilya Cook.

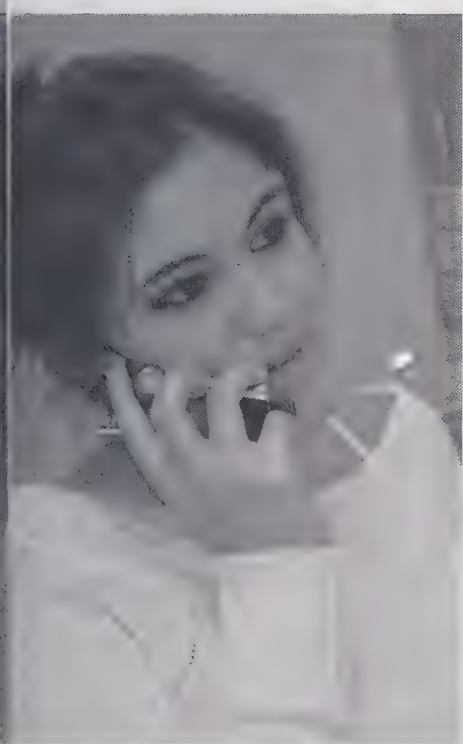
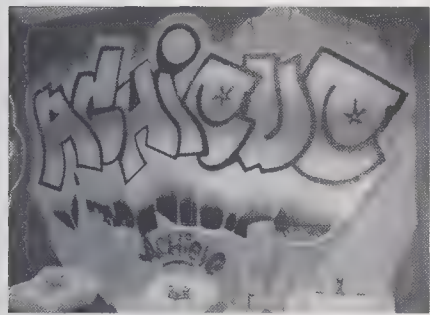
Many students also think they should not have to pay to enter certain sporting events while others think it's okay to pay in order to see the games. "I think we should pay because it helps [raise money]," said Kamilya.

Another thing that bothers students is the fact that they must pay up to \$2 for lunch. Last year's cafeteria prices were only \$.80 for breakfast and \$1.80 for lunch but, this, year the prices are higher. "I think it's stupid because the food is really nasty," said Kamilya. "Paying \$2 for a small slice of pizza isn't fair," said Sophomore Travis Brown. In the end, students are often still hungry and need to eat more, which means that they spend a lot of money. The students who buy extra lunch often spend up to \$4 just for buying two extra slices of pizza. Students think that the cafeteria should bring the prices down.

Every now and then one can hear the students complaining about the school's expenses. But the school only does this so they can provide the students with the lunch they eat every day, new texts, and other things.

Above Right: It's great to be able to watch the basketball games from the commons area. These five widescreen tv's didn't come cheap.

Right: Junior Jennifer Rosadio runs up her phone bill; cell phones are just another way that students spend their money.



Jordan Heatherly



Christopher Heim



Christopher
Hickman



Chelsea Hill



William Hill



Zachary Lee Hill



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Zachary Hogan



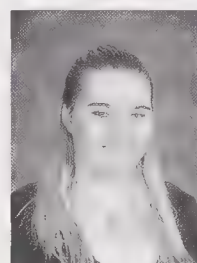
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Austin Hutchins



Krystal
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Breanna Jackson



Lawrence
Jackson



Vince Lamar
Johnson



Denetia Jones



Amanda Jordan



Marisol
Juarez-Gonzalez



Samuel Hodge



Julian
Donna Justice



Kyle Kelley



Tyler James
Kemak



Ashlee Lauren
Kessler



Elizabeth
Killman



Marion Celine
Lamb



Tiffany Layton



Savannah Lively



Victor Lozano



Scotty Mace



Fernando
Martinez



Rayce Jackson
Lamb



Emmar Lee



Rosa Loftis



Coral Lusk



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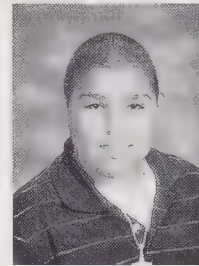
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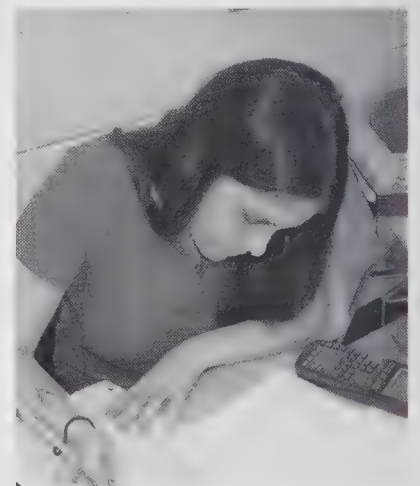
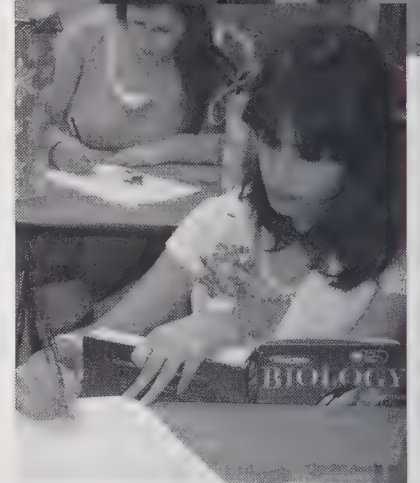
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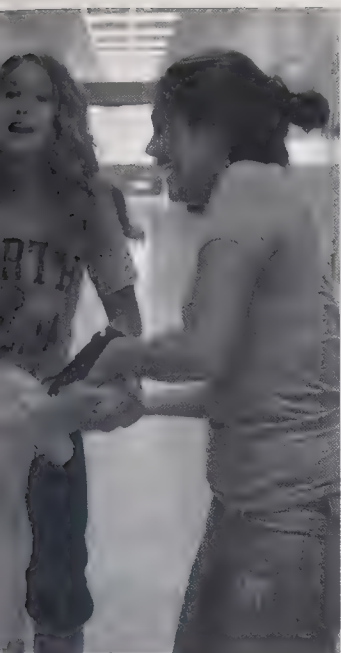


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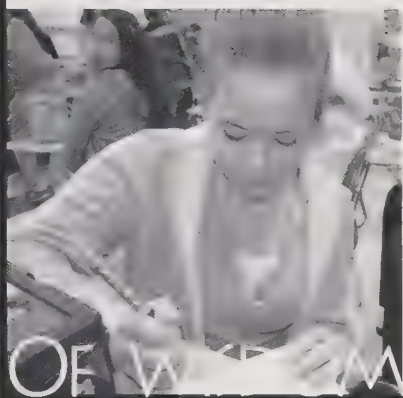
Jacob Maxwell





THE GIRLS OF MIRDOW

Knowledge from those who know.



Above: Freshman Chris Gordner enjoys being pushed around by the girls in his class. He was payed to let them put makeup on him.

Left: Sophomore Mari Perez does her biology work, being careful to pay close attention in class.

trying to avoid those pesky seniors who have a slight reputation of picking on freshmen, they also have to worry about fitting in, getting their school work done, and maybe even trying to find a job.

Sophomores, being young in mind and fresh from the experience of being freshmen (pun intended) have been asked if they had any advice to give to the freshmen class to help them "survive" life at North. Keep in mind that all people are different, and all advice varies in some form or fashion. So even if you think the first couple of suggestions are worthless, keep reading- you may find something that relates directly to you.

- Be yourself.
- Do your homework ahead of time. Don't wait until the last minute, especially for projects.
- Study for tests. "Senioritis" is not a valid excuse when you're a newbie.
- Take drivers ed as early as possible. The sooner you take it, the sooner you can go on dates without the parents driving you around.
- Get to know your teachers. Some can be absolutely wonderful to talk to and will let all kinds of things slide. Some can simply be prudes.
- Keep a positive outlook on things. Pessimism will get you nowhere.

Above Left: Sophomore Danielle Nix stands in the boys bathroom pointing out how nasty those boys can be.

Left: Sophomore Arminta Thompson works hard in math class. Many sophomores would advise freshmen to study and work hard.

Failure is inevitable in some instances in the highschool experience.

Just a few ideas for freshmen to keep in the back of their minds during their years in highschool. Directly from the sophomores, and, just in case you don't trust them, remember, they've already been through it all.



Zachary May



Jason Cody McCarson



Megan McCraw



Nathan Daniel McMahan



Heather McMinn



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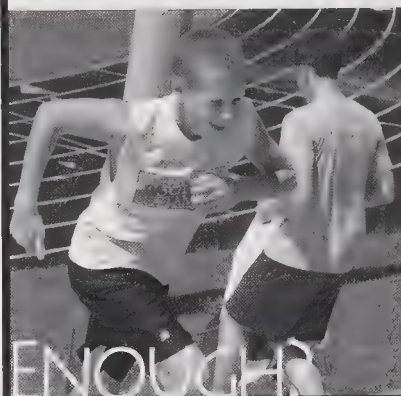


Caleb Lee Moore



Justin Moore

YOU GO ON TO D



ENOUGH ENOUGH

Just a few underclassman are able to make the cut for Varsity.



Maria Morales



Robert Morales



Kaylin Brooke Morgan



Sean Morris



Marshelia Morrow



Kye Murphy



Amber Myers



Aerika Lauren Nalley



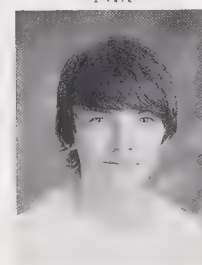
Fernando Nava



Chelsea Brook Nix



Danielle Nix



Justin Norton

Joining Varsity can be quite fun since students will work with both new and old team members. Some make the transition from JV to Varsity with them while others are veteran Varsity players. This time, the team members must put more effort into the team. Many students try out for Varsity teams during sophomore year because a special person inspires them to join. "Coach Taylor inspired me into trying out for Varsity basketball," said Sophomore Jordan Brunelle.

Many start to play sports at a very early age, giving them more of a chance to make it on the team in high school. Many start around the age of 7 but a few others start at an earlier age. Some students have been on school teams before joining Varsity. Hard work and constant practice prepare them to take that step up from JV.

After making the switch from JV to Varsity students still remember their roots and the incredibly fun moments they had during practices and during the games. "One time [Junior] Canaan Cox almost knocked the speaker of the ceiling during my freshman year," said Jordan. Others just simply like to have fun with their friends and do crazy stuff during practice. "We make fun of our coaches by dancing around," said Sophomore Lacy Peters, who spends countless hours with the Varsity Cheerleading squad.

All the sophomores that made it into Varsity will enjoy being on the team because they are treated better by the upperclassmen. The sophomores that are on the Varsity team become friends with the upperclassmen that they spend hours practicing with. No matter what, the varsity team members always work hard and, sometimes, they actually come out victorious. (Just kidding!)

Above Right: Cheering with the Varsity Cheerleading Squad, Freshman Kayla Anders was fortunate enough to make the team. Right: Sophomore Breanna Jackson goes up for the serve during a Varsity Volleyball game.



Luis Obispo Jr



Margarita Orr



Amanda Owen



Amber Owen



Yessica Padilla



Brian Mason
Parnell



Jordan Patton



Ashley Pavlas



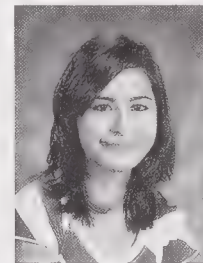
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Alice Perez



Mari Esther Perez



Taylor Perkins



Lacie Peters



Brittini Marie
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Brandon Pruitt



Christina Pryor



Travis Pulliam



Jose Ramirez



Brittany Ramsey



Laura Redden



Mary Katie
Repass



Christopher
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Justin Jeffre
Rhodes



Richard Rhodes



Claudia Rico



Cristian Rizo



Daniel Robbins



Jonathan Robinson



Brett Keano Rodrigues



Roberto Rodriguez



Ethan Cameron Rogers



Kelsey Helene Sabo



Adam Miguel



Kassandra Schroeder



Shiann Alise Seaman



Kevin Blaine Searcy



William Shipman



Sarah Marie Sides



Aaron Smith



Tiffany Sue Smith



Jamie Lee Stanley



Ethan Danler Stepp



Chelsea Stokes



Joseph Suder



Julia Sullivan



Brandon Swain



Anthony Taylor





Above: Sophomores Christina Pryor and Lacie Peters text their friends while they hang out in the gym. Left: Freshman Courtney Perkins listens to music to tune out the noises of the classroom.



Students see just how far they can go before they lose their gadgets.

Since the new school year started Ms. Friend declared that students cannot have iPods, Mp3 players, and other items that can distract students from their school work. Those who bring them into the classroom can get into trouble and their electronics are quickly confiscated. Ms. Friend made these new rules so the students could concentrate on their school work and not distract other students.

Since the beginning of the school year, students often ignore the rules that Ms. Friend has made. Every day, students bring their iPods, Mp3 players, CD players, and cell phones to school. "[Some people bring their cell phones] because sometimes [they] need immediate contact with parents," said Sophomore Amber Myers. "Other than that, they are leisure items and a cure to get rid of boredom." Students often get in trouble trying to alleviate their boredom, however. Once a student is caught, they have a good chance of going to ISS for an entire day. Still, it's not a rare occurrence to catch a teacher on their cell phone during their planning period.

Not all teachers get mad if a student is listening to their iPod, however. Mr. Ed Lewis's art class can listen to their music while they work on their art. Mrs. West brings in her iPod and has her students listen to the professors that she has recorded to complement her lesson. The yearbook class also listens to music as long as they are working. But students have to be careful to remember where these musical devices aren't allowed. Now that Ms. Friend made the rule that parents must come to school to pick up the electronics, students get in trouble with their parents as well. They just don't seem to understand how boring certain classes can be.

Above Left: Junior Tyler Garren brags about his phone during science class. Left: Freshman Manessa Ashburn picks a new song on her Mp3 player during yearbook class.



Arminta Thompson



Megan Torrey



Anne Traister



Tristan Turbyfill



Ivett Lurdes Ventura



Joe Villafranca



Steven Eugene Wallace



Joseph Paul Walter



Joshua Ward



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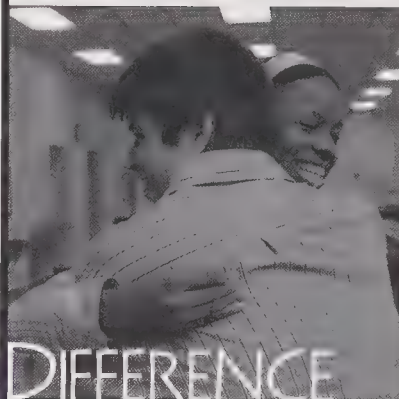


Sarah Brooke Willingham



Kolby Charles Wolf

MAKING



DIFFERENCE DIFFERENCE

These students turned their grades around to become "Most Improved."

What do you have to do in order to get free cookies, free cake, a certificate, a medal, and a evening filled with fun and excitement dedicated all to yourself? Sophomores Austin Hutchins and Lashea Corpening, and Junior Heather O'Connor only had to improve their grades, and get selected as a most improved student.

"I took what I knew [about Austin] from last year and recognized that he made drastic improvements in attendance, motivation, attitude, and his overall work ethic," said Ms. Hosack. Ms. Hosack based her nomination on Austin's actions in and out of class. "I didn't want to be a freshman again. I wanted to prove to all the teachers who didn't believe in me that I could do it," said Austin. Austin was glad he got selected but he didn't really know what to expect from the tea.

Being selected was a big deal for the students. Not only did it make them feel proud, but it also gave them a sense of importance. "It made me feel great being picked because you're being recognized for things you would think you would

never get," said Lashea. Lashea took on a big roll as a leader in her class and, at times, carried her class through performances.

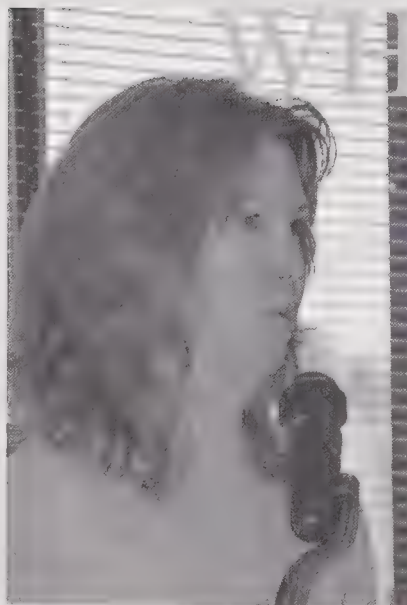
"Her voice has grown a lot and she carried her class through a great performance," said Mr. Cagle, the teacher who selected Lashea.

Heather was another student selected; she was chosen as Most Improved by Mr. Pace. Heather was selected because she was the only girl in the shop class and worked just as hard as the boys. "I was very surprised to get picked. I didn't expect anything like that to happen," said Heather.

Ms. Hosack?

She's a teacher who likes to use creative group activities, whenever possible.

She's an animal loving vegetarian who has highlighted her hair but regretted it. She enjoys playing Cranium and listening to pop music from the 80's.





Alicia Leigh
Wood



Sierra Rose
Wright



Erika Lynn
Wullenweber



Ashley Young



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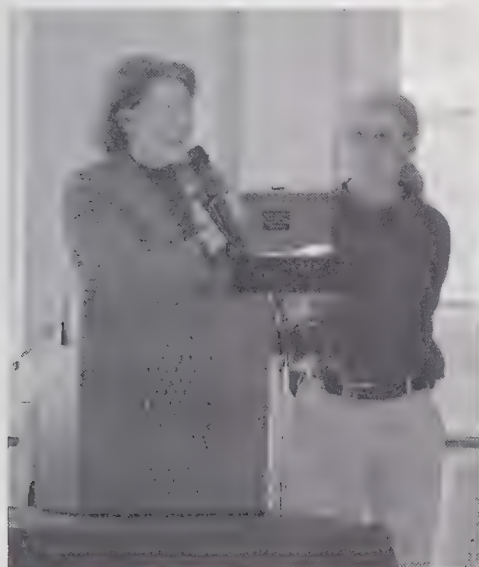


Above: Senior Jordan Garmon gives his English teacher, Ms. West, a hug after being named 'Most Improved.'

Left: Mr. Lewis gives Sophomore Fernando Nava his reward for improving his writing during yearbook class.



Standing proud, Senior Billy Lunsford accepts his reward for 'Most Improved Student.'



Full of enthusiasm, Ms. Friend names Mr. Kieffer 'Teacher of the Year' and rewards him with a unique little chest to match his unique personality and teaching methods.



Reema Ramzy Abdellatif



Miguel Acosta Jr



Ashley Ann Adams



Grant Adkins



Abigail Aguirre-Lopez



Antonio Alejos



Kati Racheal Alexander



Jura Mikayla Allen



Trevor Zachar Allen



Erica Kathryn Almanza



Kayla Marie Anders



Manessa Ashburn

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Sophomore Mason Parnell swears Sophomore Joey Walters in during a mock trial in Mr. Coren's class.

DIFFERENCES DIFFERENCES

We are definately different.

It's a mysterious door, the connection between Apple Valley and North. We've all seen it in the lunch room; as middle schoolers we wondered what was on the other side. Finally, the newest batch of freshmen have crossed that line and entered a whole new world.

For most students, entering high school is a big deal. There are a lot of changes they have to adjust to such as rules, teachers, lunches, classes, and upperclassmen. Freshman Kala Spachman said one of the best changes was lunch. "At Apple Valley, we had to sit with our class, and if we got up and moved, we would get silent lunch for three days or assigned seats."

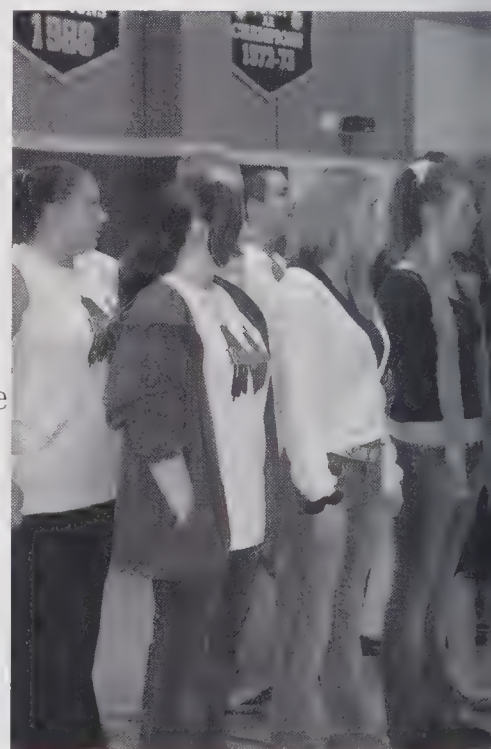
Freshman Gianna Miracle also commented, "We only had pizza two times a week, and we only had two lunches. Having four lunches now is cooler because we get food faster."

Another seemingly small, yet big, change for freshmen is the choice to stand where they want in the mornings. As middle schoolers, they were made to sit with their grade level in the smelly gym. Now, as high school students, they have a choice between standing in the commons, hanging out in the gym, or going to the cafeteria. For some, this makes or breaks the day.

Possibly one of the worst changes for freshmen is losing their all too awesome rank. Freshman Chris Gordner said, "My first day at North was surprising... It felt like a new beginning, because I went from being the top kid in school to a little freshman." It's easy to relate to that feeling; going from being the macho kids on campus to little fishies in a huge school. And with the halls jam packed, it's impossible to walk down Z hall in the morning without fear of being trampled to death.

Right: Freshman Ashley Hawkins does a worksheet in her World History class.

Below: The choir sings the national anthem at the Homecoming pep rally. For many freshmen, this was their first time singing in front of such a large group.





Morgan Ayscue



Jeremiah Jame Bagwell



Tashia Baldwin



Issac Haiden Ball



Daniel Ballard



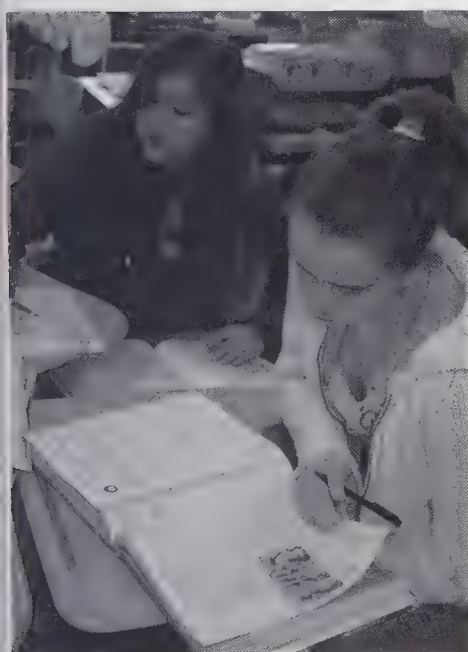
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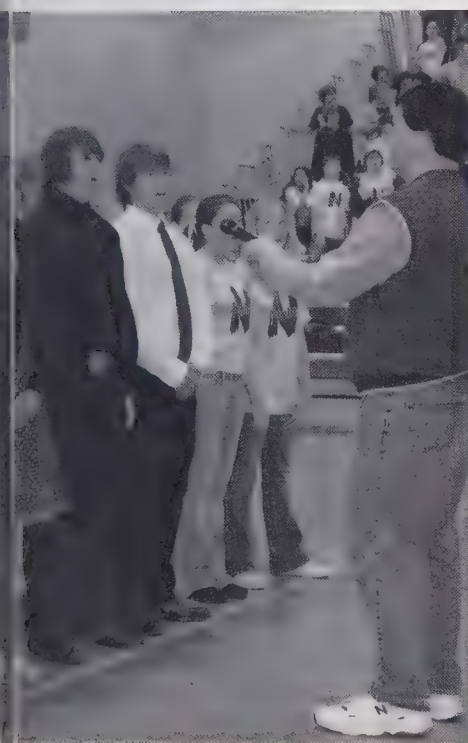
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Chris Carmack



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Melissa Ann Carter



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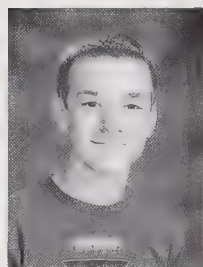
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Jenna Chillington



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Nathaniel Clement



Tiffany Marie Cole



Freshman Chris Gordner puts on make-up to to earn some laughs. Moving from Apple Valley to North can bring on lots of teasing, but most freshmen learn to love it.



Alisha Erin Condrey



Maria Carmen Contreras



Lyndsie Cook



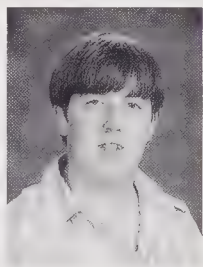
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Jennifer Mari Corn



Brandon Cox



Aaron Michael Danner



Brittney Davila



Maria Yolanda Diaz



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Left: Isiah Serna and (Right) Calos Resendez work together to finish an assignment.



Jesus Figueroa



Alexandra Fischer



Courtney Mega Fowler



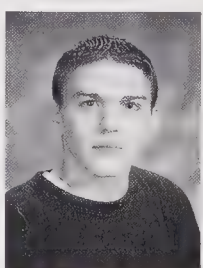
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Anthony Frey



Kayla Deane Fuller



Joseph Gallo



Robyn Leelil Game

Freshmen Gianna Miracle writes down her tasks for Student Council. For many freshmen, having so many clubs to choose from was overwhelming at first, but they figured out where they fit quickly.

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A comfort for some students, like Freshman Sagrario Nieto, could be the switch between schools for Mrs. Hannah. Sagrario said, "She used to be my favorite teacher because she was so nice and gave us easy work. Now she's a principal so I get to see her everyday!" A lot of students have favorite teachers they don't want to leave behind, whether it's because of their awesome teaching skills or crazy interests like Freshman Dan Schun's. He said, "I'm going to miss Mrs. Smith. She was really cool cause she watched *Lost*." But it's not just losing favorite teachers that can leave an impression; the way new teachers treat their students matters too. Dan also commented that his new teachers are a lot more encouraging, "In Apple Valley, teachers looked down on me when they spoke; now they look up to me."

Classes are a lot harder in high school. With honors classes available to freshmen and the more difficult math courses, it's almost enough to make them cry. Lit circles and no reason movie days are cut out of the picture; while summer reading and math notebooks are required. More is expected out of students when enter high school. It's a big deal, because these are the years before college that matter.

Some students think the rules are less strict as freshmen than eighth graders, while others think they got harder. Kala said, "We used to not be allowed to have gum, drinks, or food in class. Now we can, depending on who the teacher is." On the other hand, Sagrario thinks that the tardy system makes the rules a lot harder to follow. "I've never been tardy but there isn't enough time between classes. I don't get to talk to my friends as much as I'd like, and it's scary to think we can be sent to C-stop."



Bianca Garcia



Robyn Garren



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Amber Marie Godin



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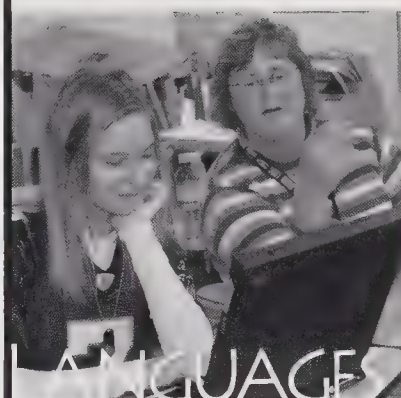


Danielle Goodhue



If a man speaks
Christopher Gordner

MULTIPLE



LANGUAGES

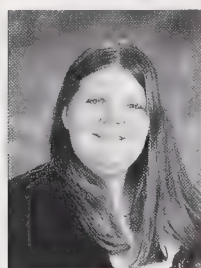
What's your tongue?



Megan Denise Gosnell



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Amanda Marie Griffith



Perla Coral Guevara



Kaitlyn Rose Gundersen



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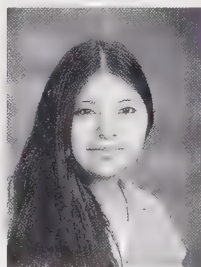
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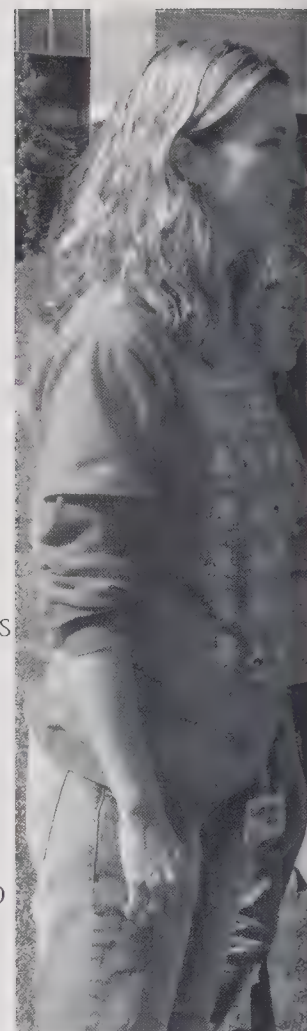
Angelica Hernandez

Intriguing yet challenging, foreign language classes give students an insight to a select few languages among the many that make up our world.

Students may have thought taking a second language for the first time would be a breeze but there are always a few bumps that come on along the way. "It's actually not as hard as you'd think it is. You take small steps and you just work your way up to the harder things. You eventually catch up pretty quickly," said Freshman Jaclyn Neese, who takes Spanish.

There are reasons students decide to take foreign language classes other than fitting the graduation requirements. The benefits that students gain from experiencing and learning different languages can help raise chances of grabbing a better job. Also taking time to travel to other parts of the world could increase the ability to understand foreign people's speech and experience it first hand. Knowing that students can understand the speech of foreign people gives one a sense of self accomplishment instead of complete confusion. "[Knowing a second language] would benefit me if I ever traveled to France," said Freshman Kayla Fuller, who takes French.

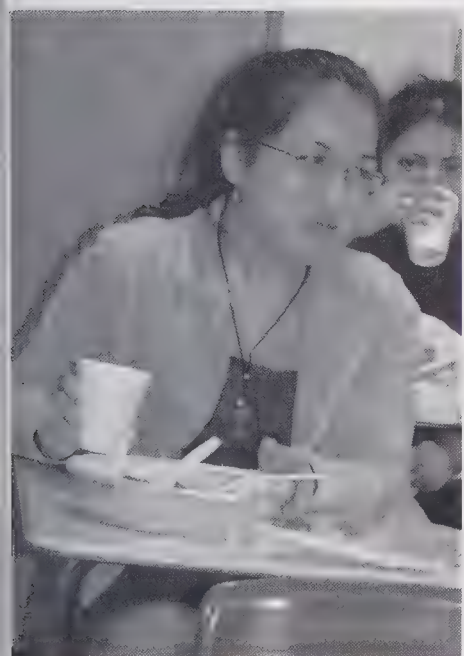
Allowing more foreign languages to be offered at schools gives students more opportunities to experience a bit more of the way people talk and speak. Understanding different languages takes a step towards realizing how diverse our world has become.



Rayce Lamb?

Rayce is a sophomore who enjoys playing football, basketball and baseball. His best friends are Chelsea Nix, Kevin Searcy and Travis Brown. He enjoys hanging out on the weekends and going to church on Sundays. He has an older brother named Justin who inspired him to play sports when he was younger.

"Do your best and you'll succeed."



Armando Hernandez



Jose Dejesus
Hernandez-Vasquez



Tasha Leann Hickey



Jeremy Hickman



Tristan Cody Hill



Arthur Curtis Hilliard



Saul Alberto Hinson



Sarah Nicole Holder



Joshua Hollingshead



Tyler Honeycutt



Leah Joy Hoots



Martha Rachel
Huggins



Cydney Hope Huntley



Magan Hutchins



Brandan Hyatt



Jade Johnson



Kelsey Paige Jones



Yessica
Juarez-Gonzalez



Khadija Akram Khan



Heather Lois
Kimbro



Brandi King



Kenneth Earl
Kirkpatrick



Stephanie Knowles



Vincent Sean Kunath

Top: Ms. Marrotta takes her class out into the courtyard to explore a new way of teaching Spanish. Above: Sophomore Nancy Aguillon eats a meal from a Mexican restaurant during Mrs. Schlueter's Spanish Fiesta.

Freshmen Kala
Spachman and Gianna
Miracle dance together
at the Halloween dance,
while Freshman Kayla
Anders keeps them
company.



Matthew Lancaster



Dequane Landrum



Jacqueline Langford



Shawn Paul Lathan



Joshua Robert Laughter



Virginia Lynn Ledford



Rachel Ellen Levitt



Alexandria Lively



Alicia Logan



Jose Lopez



Amanda Lyda



Daniel Elias Mace



Jose Ramon Maciel



Erik Martinez



Rico Martinez



Rocio Martinez



Ulanda Martinez



Anna Renee Maxwell



Austin Wayne
Maxwell



Kayla Maybin



Marissa Mazzola



Kelsi McMurray



Jaalah Ann McCraw



Ronnie McCraw





Students show their stuff at shcool dances

Lights flashing, loads of people, loud music. What more could a teenager ask for? School dances are a time for students to socialize and, of course, dance. "I enjoy going to the dances because I get a chance to socialize with my friends," said Freshman Tyler Honeycutt. "I usually don't dance." Some people don't like to dance, or are simply too shy to enjoy themselves, but Freshman Cynthia Carpenter loves to dance, especially to "Snap Yo Fingers" by Lil John.

High school dances are a lot different from middle school dances. Freshman Tyler Honeycutt says there is better music and more people. A lot of freshmen would agree with that statement. Freshman Marquis Grey says there is more "crunken." (That is slang for girls dancing with boys.) In middle school, there was a lot more adult supervision done. "In middle school, you had to be a certain distance away from guys; in high school you just par-tay!" said Freshman Kala Spachman.

There are certain dances that a lot of people go to, for instance, almost everyone goes to the Homecoming dance. "My favorite dance was the Homecoming one because there were a lot of people there," said Freshman Tyler Honeycutt. "I mean, who wants to go to a dance with no people? That would just be boring," said Freshman Gianna Miracle. Our school dances give students a chance to bring out their wild and crazy side.

Junior Patricia Tomas dresses up as a princess butterfly at the AIM Club Halloween dance. Not many people actually dressed up, but those who did looked amazing.



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Alexandra McMinn



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Jacob Gerald Medd



Jessica Marie Mentz



Ashlee Metz



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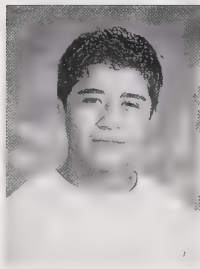
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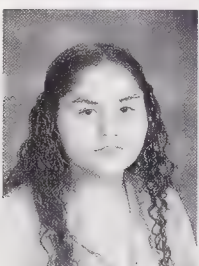
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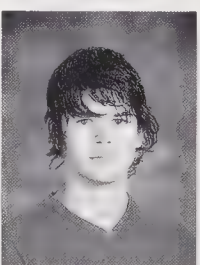
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IMPRESSIONS

Saying hello for the first time.

Everyone has been in that awkward situation, when first meeting someone or entering a new place for the first time. It is almost impossible for some people to not feel lonely or left out, but there are those who get excited when faced with new challenges. For this year's batch of freshmen, first impressions weren't a problem.

With a bigger variety of classes, students are usually broken up from their normal friends, which makes it a lot easier to meet new people. Some students that are seen in the hall and never given a second glance eventually become someone's new best friend. Freshman Ashleigh Owens said, "I was so nervous my first day. So I ran to [freshman] Sarah Holder who looked scared too, so we could be nervous together!"

But it's not just same grade level friendships that get started. For freshmen, entering a new school means meeting upperclassman. Unlike a lot of other schools, students here don't pride themselves on freshmen bashing; most students mix together very well. Freshmen Sarah Holder said, "Michael Harwood was really nice. He didn't make fun of us for being freshmen; he actually talked to us."

Most students think changing schools means leaving favorite teachers. But sometimes it just means gaining better ones. Ashleigh said, "Coach Uy is awesome. He is just so nice and funny. He picks on me because I'm the only kid in the class shorter than he is!" Across the school, Sarah said, "Mrs. Lancaster comes across as such a sweet woman and she calls everyone her little babies."

While entering a new school can sometimes be overwhelming for new students, it's the first impressions that always stick out; and students are the best at making those the great.



Looking at his other classmates
Freshman Antonio Alejos sits in
science class.



Ashleigh Nevi Owens



Joshua Ben Parker



Montana Sue Pate



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Jonathan Eric Patino



Kaitlyn Noel Payne



Michael Pena



Jordan Penley



Stephanie Pennell



Iris Perez



Pedro Perez



Courtney Perkins



Matthew Chase
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Colton Pittillo



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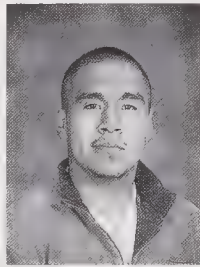
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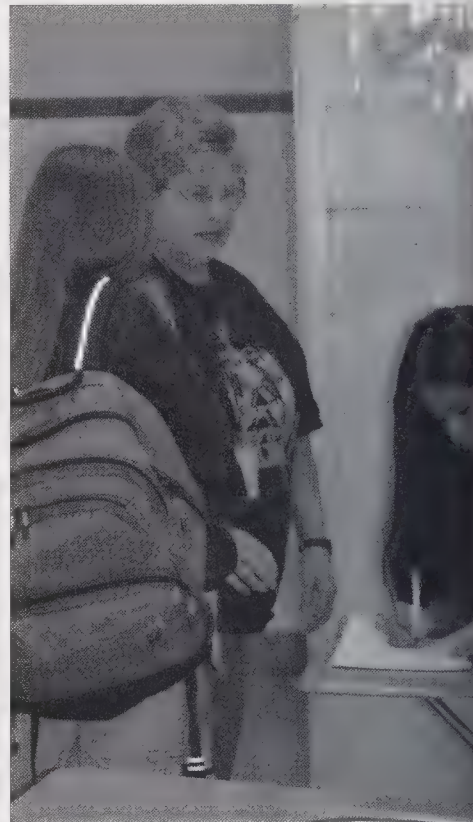
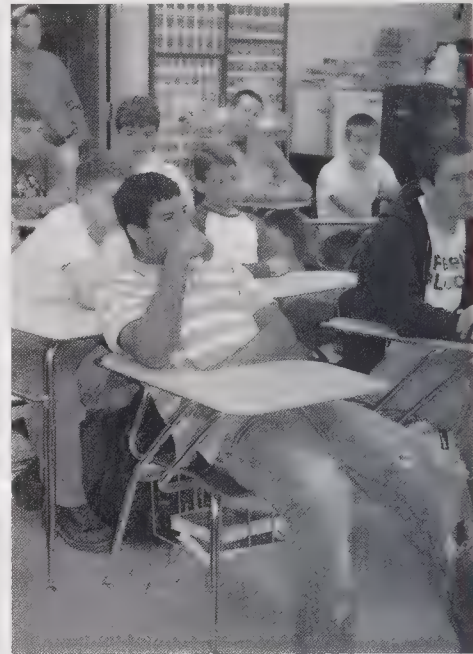


Michael Spellicy



Keela Dawn Stepp

Junior Justin Moore sits and listens to Mr. Hnatow explaining the upcoming events that are going to occur in FFA.



Ms. Edney watches as National Honors Society members sign the attendance sheet. While Freshmen are not allowed in the National Honors Society, joining the club can be a major goal.



CLUBS

Freshmen scour to find clubs.

French Club, Spanish Club, FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes), Student Council, FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)... These are just some of the many clubs offered to students. Most students try to get involved in clubs

because it looks good on their college application, their friends are in it, or because they are simply interested in getting to learn more about what their club is about. "What made me interested in FCA is knowing that I would get to learn more about Jesus and my faith," said Freshman Kayla Anders.

Most clubs try to get involved in helping people out. Student Council got involved in the Bounty of Bethlehem program during the holiday seasons and, sent things across the sea to the soldiers, like Q-tips, cotton balls, toothpaste, and many other basic necessities. "In Student Council, we gave to charities and we helped out the homecoming dance," said Freshman Liz Youngblood. In FCA, members give teachers or students little encouraging notes or sweet pastries on special occasions.

Some of these clubs are not easy to stay in. They have certain requirements students need to achieve. "In Student Council, you have to get points for each month or you get kicked out," said Liz. There are also some clubs that don't have any requirements. "There are no requirements for FCA. They just like you to be at every meeting," said Kayla. With all

the clubs offered it seems that there is a club out there for everyone.



Kimberly Sutton



Kristen Swann



Terri Leandra Toro



Santana Maria Tovar



Nicholas Adda Trapp



Vita Daniel Vann



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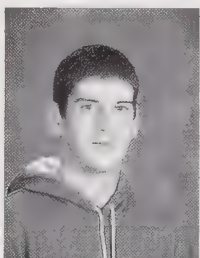
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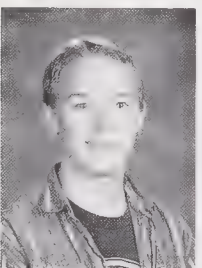
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Do you have the guts?

From Pong to the Super Nintendo, gaming has been around quite a while and won't be disappearing anytime soon. Recent change in new consoles have gotten students hyped up and ready to take on the revolution in gaming history. "[I am looking forward to] the Nintendo Wii because it is a whole new gaming experience," said Freshman Cory Carlisle. The Wii's new controllers, the Nunchuk and the Wii Remote, have mo-

tion sensitivity built into them. Nintendo has evolved over the years, changing the way gamers play.

Students take pride and give support to the developers that create the best video games out on the market. "I support Sony for the most up-to-date and best action, racing, and exotic video games [they produce]," said Freshman Tristan Hill. Even though Sony is the lead producer in the industry,

statistically, gaming is wide spread. Students could argue and debate for hours which is the best video game console that produces both fun and hard-core game play, but the numbers show who's boss.

There is more to gaming than nice graphics and story line. Online PC gaming plays a big role in the way students game, as well. Interacting with others and creating unique individual characters to role-play is an addicting feature in most PC MMORPG (Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Game) games. Games such as World of Warcraft and Lineage II are well known worldwide and are two of the most popular PC games played.

WHAT Numbers?

Number of hours used
to play games

Number of Lives it takes
to beat the game

Number of games an aver-
age teen owns

Number of hours
spent waiting in line
for a game

Number of cheetos eaten
while playing the Game

Number of times vulgar
language was used while
playing.

Ultimate gamer Freshman Brittany Barnwell plays a Ninetindo DS while in class.

Middle: Cell phones are a popular way to play games in class, as long as the teacher doesn't notice.



Freshman Brittany Barnwell plays one of the newly released video-game systems, the Wii.



Kevin Loye Wynstra



Elizabeth Youngblood



Alexandra Zamudio



Dennis Zaragoza



Sara Zipken

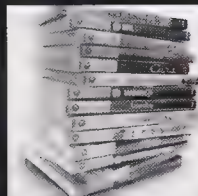


Louis Zotelo



Sarah Zucca

HOW TO... *be a gamer!*...



1. First step. Money is only important when purchasing a game. So save it all! And buy as many games as possible.

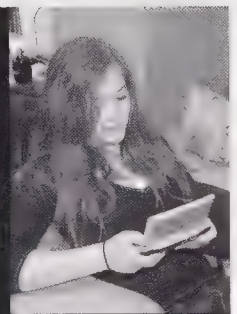


2. Get to know your system, whether it be a Xbox 360 or a Wii! The PS3 doesn't matter. Know what it's capable of, and make sure you can keep up with it.



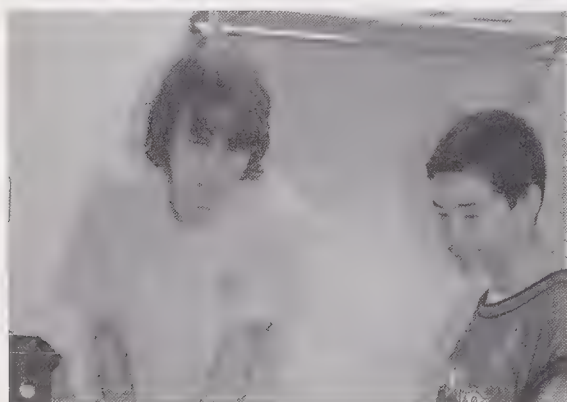
3. Devote yourself to your games completely. Forget friends and family. No girlfriends either. They only get in the way. Game! Game! Game!

4. Its hard to remember this one. Eat, bathe and sleep. They are needed to game. If you forget these steps, you may pass out during game play and die... .. so... ..save often.





Bottom: Senior Jennifer Kitchen and Freshmen Alex McMinn and Kayla Anders blow kisses during a class break. Top: Junior Tyler Garren gives some of the freshman some advice in Mr. William's class.



Above: Senior Vanessa Staley and Junior Dustin Miller sit and watch the P.E. class



DIVERSE - FRESHMAN

Above: Junior Zach Banilla helps out his classmate in an assignment. Right: Senior Micheal Beamish and Junior Shelby Murray stand ready to do the pledge.



OLD
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OLD

It's Friday night and you're sitting at home all by yourself, with nowhere to go. So what do you do? Freshman Shannon Russell answered, "I hang out with my boyfriend Jordan Brunelle all the time." Freshman Kayla Anders said, "I call up Jennifer Kitchen and go hang out at the mall or movies sometimes." If you think Jordan and Jennifer both have something in common, you're right... They're upperclassmen!

Some upperclassmen would call it a disgrace to hang out with a freshman. Others find themselves building strong friendships with them. Freshman Colton Pittilo said "[Junior] Luke Bradley is my best buddy, plus he's a free ride." Having an upperclassman as a best friend also means having a ride to places you need to go. But also, besides being good for a license and car, they provide other things as well. Freshman Alex McMinn said "My upperclassman friends always give me advice on boyfriends and fashion

stuff." Freshman Bryan Cannon gets help with girl problems from his two good upperclassmen friends, Seniors Austin Tiller and Michael Blanchard. Upperclassmen have already gone through a lot that is new to the freshman, so they can be great for advice.

Each day new friendships are being started and bonds are being made. So on top of all the free rides, fun weekends, and good advice upperclassmen give, they are good for something more valuable than that: they're giving a friendship, which can be very much needed in a drama filled first year of high school.



Senior Carson Rhodes and Sophomore Sam Julian take some time out to pose during Ms. Marrata's Spanish Class.

Above: Junior Josh Goldstein and Freshman Shelby Roberson go all out over a basketball during PE. Right: The dance team practices their routine during fourth period. The dance team was made up of both upper and underclassmen.





William Allen



Kathryn Bailey



Stacie Banfield



Debbie Byorick



Charles Byrd



Richard Cagle



Dot Case



Rachel Childs



Ronnie Coren



Kim Dunn



Janet Edney



Dick Edwards

With every new school year there also come new beginnings, new opportunities, and what all students love to see and hear, new teachers! Along with the hundreds of students, the halls become a little more crowded due to a slight boost in the faculty.

Not knowing what to expect from new teachers adds excitement and fun to the thrill of starting a new school year. It also creates new opportunities for both students and teachers. "I'm happy to be a part of the staff here. I hope that I can be a positive influence for students to challenge themselves and seek out professions to better themselves", says new English teacher, Mr. Parker Lewis.

As the new teachers come in, they allow for smaller classes and more student-teacher bonds. New teacher Mrs. Runcle Explains, "I think that if you teach children then you should enjoy being around them and not be only a teacher but also a friend."

One new teacher on staff provides a comforting familiar face for all the freshman. Mr. Ezell, who came up from Apple Valley to teach math, is trying his hand at teaching high school. New teacher Mr. Williams has spent his first year teaching Enviromental and helping out as the assistant wrestling coach. "I really enjoy the atmosphere here at north," said Mr. Williams. "The teachers and administrators are friendly and helpful and the students are great too! I'm looking forward to a long career here."

WHAT SHOES *do you wear?*

1 Do you drive a

- a. Truck
- b. Car
- c. Jeep

Mostly A's
Boots

2. Do you walk in the

- a. Forest
- b. Beach
- c. Downtown

Mostly B's
Shoes

3. Do you prefer

- a. Picnics
- b. Fastfood
- c. BBQ

Mostly C's
Flip Flops

4. Do you

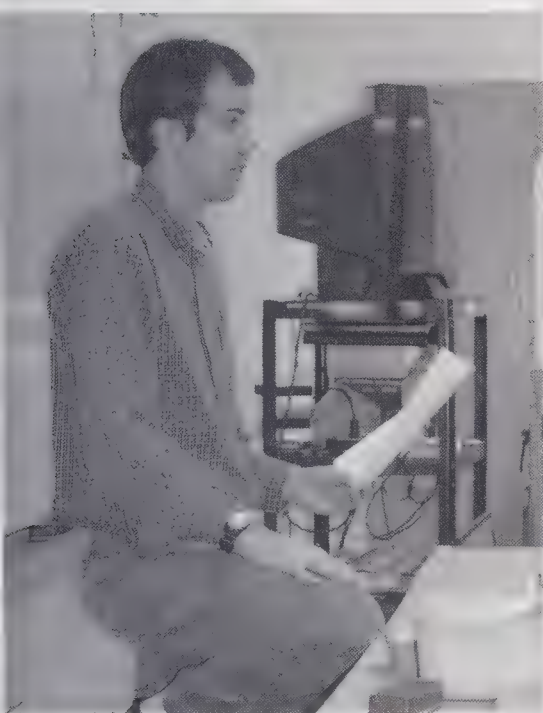
- a. Run
- b. Walk
- c. Climb





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Giving teachers a challenge



Anatomy and Biology teacher Mr. King answers some of the questions that are asked by his students.



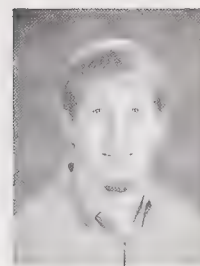
Above: New Earth and Environmental teacher Mr. Williams interacts with his students by sitting with them at their own desks. Left: Mr. Ezell shows a student how to work a math problem as he eats a cookie



Gary Esham



David Evans



Jon Ezell



Audra Faulkner



Doran Figart



Wendy Fletcher



Rebecca Friend



Steve Geyer



Fred Gore



James Grigsby



John Hart



Rick Hilliard



Melissa Hosack



James Howard



Michele Jackson



Pat Johnston



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Eddy Kieffer

Below: Mr. Hnatow points out a specific type of flower to his student



Dylan King



Kathey Lancaster



Kathy Lanning



Pat Lemmons



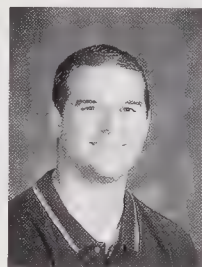
Parker Lewis



Teresa Lyda



Mollie Lytle



Luke Manuel



Kathryn Marrotta



Mary Martin



Mary Maybin



Fran Nelson



April Nichols



David Pace



Nancy Peace



Leslie Pelkey



Stephen Peterson



Gary Pittillo



Kathy Pryor



Kevin Rhodes



Bill Rice



Liz Runkle



Pamela Schlueter



Amy Singletary



Above: Mr. Pace teaches the special techniques of carpentry



They're not strange, They're unique.

The increase in the number of staff not only makes things easier for some of the other teachers, but also for the students. You never know what to expect from new teachers being added, but it proves to be an all around good thing.

As for sleepy students, many teachers have developed some unique methods for teaching their students and keeping them alert at the

same time. "I like to use kinesthetic activities such as Meiosis and Mitosis dances. I also make up silly memory tools to help the students memorize difficult concepts," said Mr. Gore. Students always seem to enjoy the fun experiments and demonstrations that Mr. Gore has become so popular for.

While most teachers prefer a hands-on approach, some teachers have a more difficult time coming up with ways to help their students remember things for the big test, simply because the subject they teach makes it harder. "I prefer a hands-on approach, but it's more difficult in math than other [subjects]," said Mr. Hart.

Students across the school keep their hands messy as they learn the skills needed to pass their classes. Mr. King's anatomy class plays their part as they dissect cats. "It's pretty cool," said Senior Josh Ruff. "It's gross though. It's kinda nasty when the formaldehyde oozes out of them. And skinning them was not fun." However controversial, or disgusting, these dissections may be, nobody can argue that they don't help to remember the facts for their next big test.



Leslie Sladky-Hillman



Pam Sutton



Buck Tanner



Heang Uy



Mary Lou West



Sharon Wilkie



Jimmy Williams



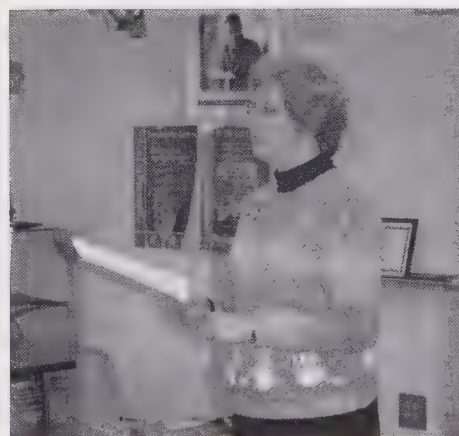
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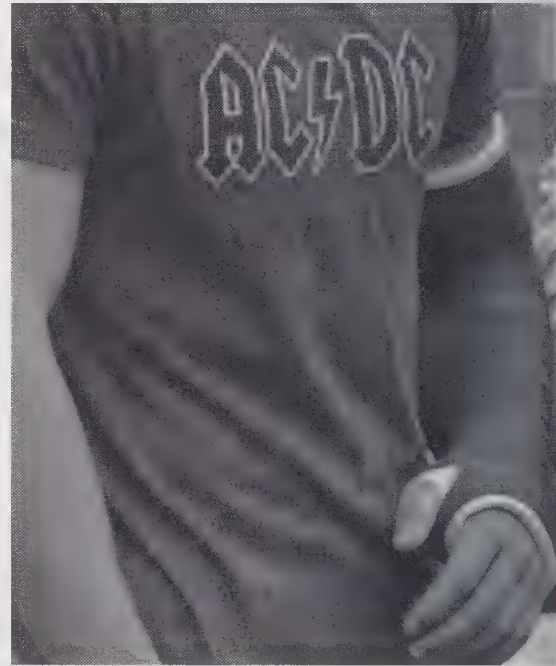
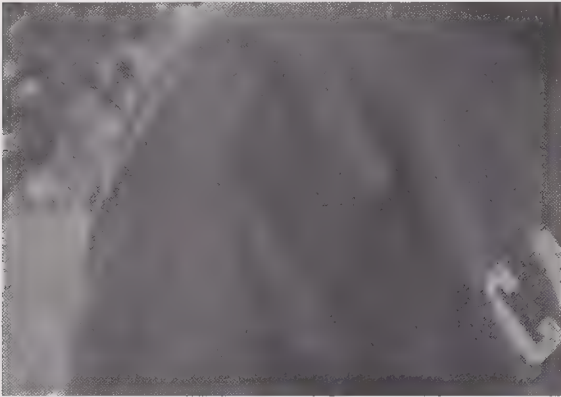
Tom Wood



Above: Mr. Williams crawls out of the star lab after teaching his class about the constalations



Above: Ms. Singletary talks to the DECA members about their plans for the year



STUDIOUS

Studious

{ 1. disposed or given to diligent study. }

{ 2. zealous, or painstaking }

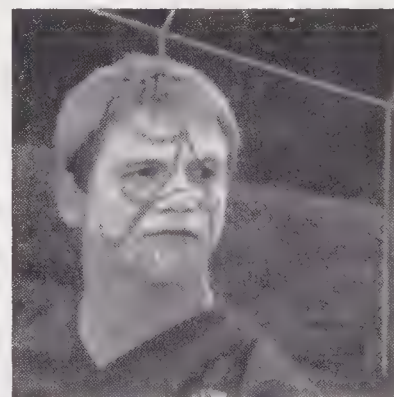
“POP QUIZ!” The words most of us hate to hear come from our teachers’ mouths. But for the few out there who pride themselves on their grades and club activities, this is just another friendly GPA raiser. For some, being studious and making teachers proud is all they can wish for. Senior Logan Brackett commented, “I enjoy the work. I like the satisfaction of finishing something and the process of solving hard problems.”

We all enter high school with one goal in mind: graduation. We all want to get in and out as quick and painless as possible. A lot of kids just try to pass through school effortlessly, like Junior Kimi Sullivan who said, “I want to get through school with good grades, but it doesn’t happen that way. There are a million other things to do, like jobs and friends, I don’t have time to study.” Though, there are those like Senior Susan Pryor who give up part of their social life to rise above the rest in school. “Like anyone else I don’t like homework, but I hope it will prepare me for college.” She said. “I usually spend two or three hours a night studying.”

At times, it seems like it may be a race for these outstanding students. For seniors, valedictorian is the highest ranking achievement offered. Lots of kids battle all year long to get good grades and support as many clubs as possible, just for the chance to be the top of the class. This will later lead them to be successful in getting into any college which they have their mind set on.

But, it’s not all about academics; half of school revolves around extra classes like art, band, chorus, theater, and after school clubs. Senior Brandon Duncan said, “Band rocks! It’s a fun class and marching band is awesome. We go to competitions and meet a lot of new, cool kids.” And for those who can’t blow an instrument and walk at the same time, chorus and theater are always other outlets. Sophomore Lauren Hunt said, “Theater is amazing. It gives you a chance to be somebody else in a different world, and it’s a great feeling!”

Too jammed with AP courses or just too lazy to be an artist? There are always after school clubs. Senior Sarah Ray is involved in the Ballroom dancing club, “Watching ‘dancing with the stars’ inspired me to dance.” She said. “Going to ballroom gives me the experience of dancing with a partner.” And there’s always J.T.S., DECA, Key Club, Diversity Club, or any of the other twenty or so clubs. That is if there if you have anytime, once your schoolwork is done. Though, being studious isn’t just about making your teachers happy; it’s about taking the time to prepare yourself for the future.



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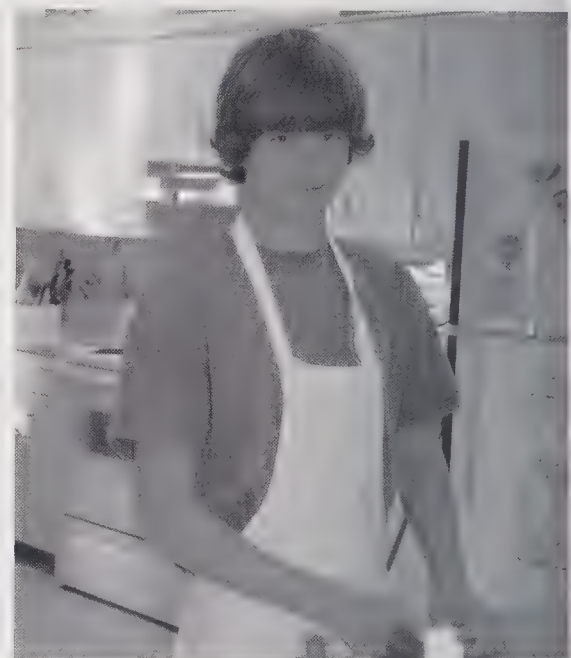
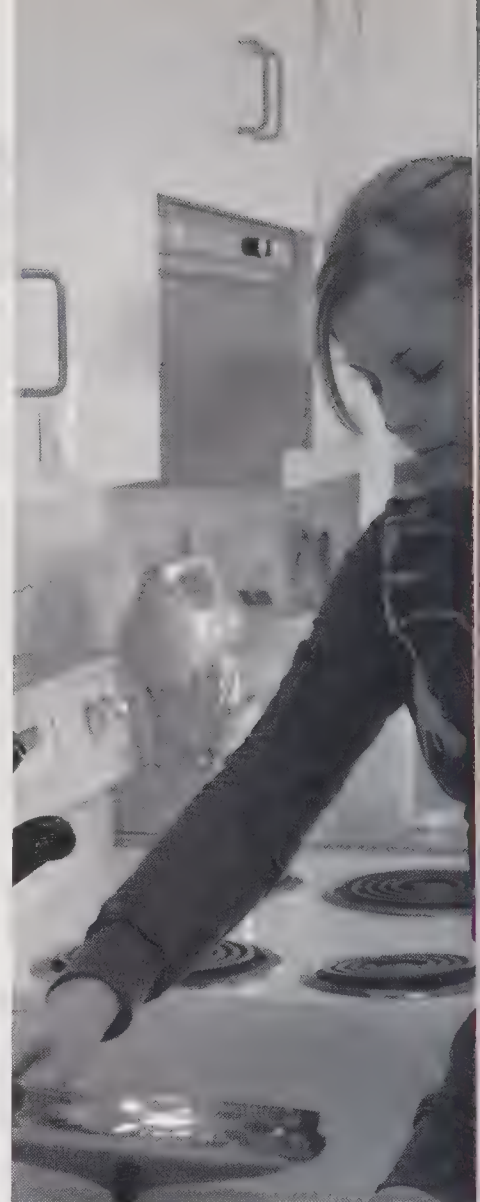
COVERING

THE BASICS OF LIFE...

Ms. Hester's Honors Discrete class is taking a test. It's totally silent until... A baby's cry is heard down the hallway. It's that time of the year again. Many classes are offered to students that teach them how to cook, sew, and take care of those babies. Many students took the class just to get their hands on one of the fake babies. Taking care of one of the babies is hard since the student must take it everywhere they go. "[I took this class] to get an idea of how big of a responsibility it is to take care of a child," said Sophomore Liliana Diaz. Taking care of the baby is rough since the crying tends to interrupt class and annoy other students.

All the students in the teen living classes seem to enjoy themselves. "It's not only note taking. You also get to do fun projects," said Sophomore Ashley Young. Projects can be quite entertaining but are often hard to do. Cooking and sewing is another part of teen living. Students in this class cook everything from pancakes to pizzas in order to master different types of food. "Cooking chocolate chip cookies was the best part of this class," said Ashley. Students also get to sew pajamas and shorts.

Being in a teen living class is something students will never forget. These students actually experience how to be a parent. "I learned how it felt to be a mother," said Freshman Manessa Ashburn. "I love babies and holding one for the first time is something I'll always remember."

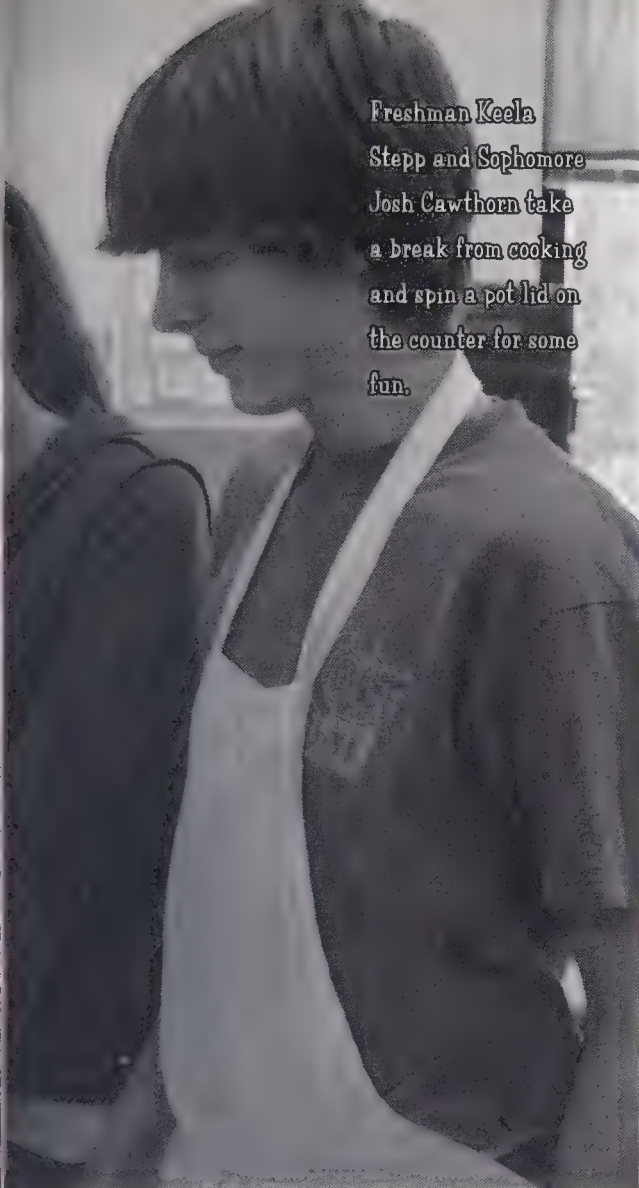


Sophomore Josh Cawthorn waits patiently for his water to boil.



Junior Jackie Goodwin stands by as Sophomore Adam Danilson pours boiling water into a pot.

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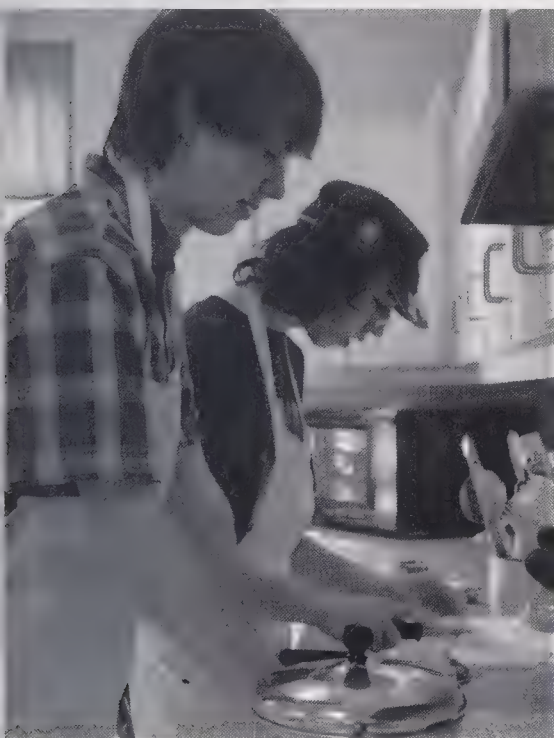


Freshman Keela Stepp and Sophomore Josh Cawthorn take a break from cooking and spin a pot lid on the counter for some fun.

Junior Sheena Vinson chops up some bell peppers for her dish.



Junior Holli Cooch and Sophomore Andrew Campbell work hard to make some delicious soup.



Sophomore Nick Teft cuts up some goodies as Sophomore Adam Danielson mixes a new experiment.

could you *make it alone?*

1. When you bake cookies how do they come out?

- a. black
- b. just right
- c. a little too gooey in the middle

Mostly A's

Never move out of your parents house.

2. Last time you did laundry how did the clothes come out?

- a. Tie Die
- b. Just like when your mom does it
- c. About 5 times smaller than normal

Mostly B's

You're good to live on your own.

3. What is your favorite midnight snack?

- a. Waffle House!
- b. A small bowl of cereal
- c. Moosetracks ice cream

Mostly C's

The first couple years may be tough, but you'll get it.

Vocational

*{ 1. of, relating to, or undergoing
training in a skill or trade to
be pursued as a career }*

Most people believe that the real world is just business, ties, and suits. However, that conception is very misleading. Some citizens have jobs that deal with mechanics, landscaping, or construction. Without this group of people, our society would crumble. If there were no mechanics, then we would not have cars or machines. Landscapers make our yards and gardens look beautiful and pleasant. Where would the people of our town live if we did not have construction workers? These citizens hold our society together. Without them, our lives would not be the same, but what does this have to do with our students?

North has classes to teach students about most of these jobs to prepare them for the future in this career field. Carpentry teaches woodworking, how to use certain tools and safety rules. Junior Huston Moore said, "I like the teacher. Mr. Pace is a funny guy." All of the techniques that you learn in Carpentry can teach you everything from learning how to use a jig saw to sanding down a piece of scrap wood.

Just down the hall is Auto Mechanics with Coach Byrd. In Auto, you can learn everything from how to change the oil in a car to fixing the transmission. "The best part of taking this class is being able to work on a variety of things," said senior Cory Justus. Learning how to work on vehicles is not only a good benefit for the students that want to pursue a career in the field but it's also educational for people to take just to learn about the main parts of your car and how you can fix it if it breaks down.

Being in an Agriscience class has numerous benefits that many students do not even know about. For instance learning about cows, horses and wildlife are something's that many students would not normally classify under Agriscience. Sophomore Jason McCarson said, "I take the class because it's fun and educational."

All of these classes can teach students about things they never had dreamed about but they help students see what they want to do with their life. When students enter these classes they do not realize it but from that point students finally begin start to begin to see their future unravel in front of their own two eyes. So when you look at the students that are in this class you are looking at America's future and the future business men and women of our society.

Junior Andrew Walker
grinds a trailer hitch as
one of his daily grades.



Jason
McCarson, Jr. is in
the Agriscience class
at school to develop his
landscaping abilities.



CARPENTRY

Sophomore Marty Jackson saws a board in order to build something. Students were required to wear safety goggles because so wood would not get in their eyes.

Senior Gene Gifford removes the hubcaps off a car to move and fix a tire.

“Without us recycling would not get done.”

(SENIOR BRADLEY COLE)

Seniors Cody Rogers
and Cameron
McCraw pay close
attention in a Key
Club meeting.

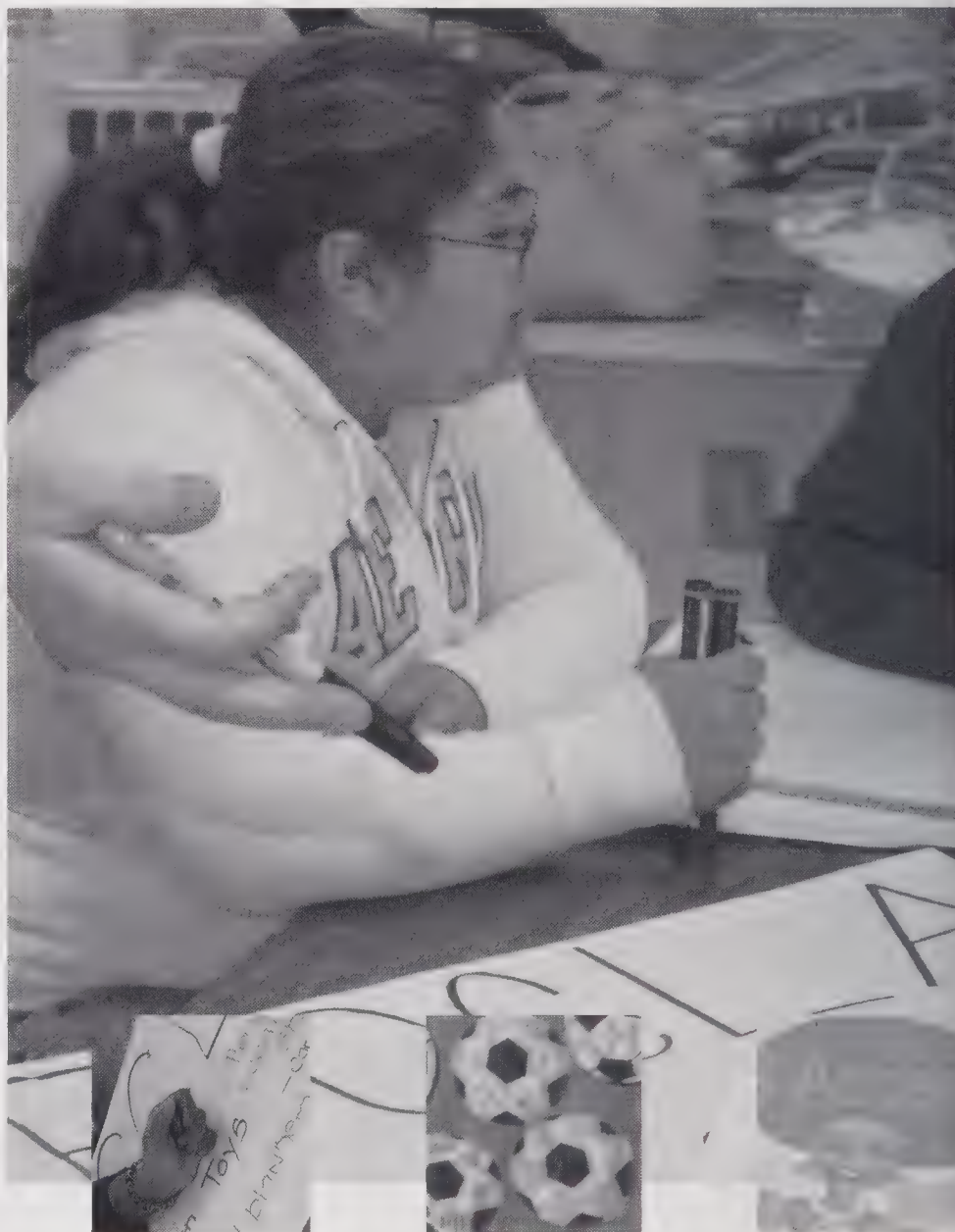
With an increase of cleanliness around school grounds, service clubs, who have contributed time to help clean up around school, have intensified the beauty and well being of the school's appearance as well as its environment. Bringing in a wider variety of little critters, lessons along the Nature Trail have captivated student's attention, whether it's in an Earth Environmental Science class or an arts class looking for the perfect inspiration.

Such clubs as the Key club clean up in and around campus. “We help clean the halls and lockers [and also] pick up [stray] litter,” said Senior Tyler Walker. But the Key Club does more than just help the school appear cleaner; they also contribute time for hunger walks and DSS (Department of Social Services) Baby Sitting. “[The Key Club] tries to help the community and help the people that aren't as fortunate as us,” said Junior Ethan Pressley.

By doing this, service clubs help the economy improve and make the world a more peaceful place little by little over time. These service clubs have proven that, by making some sort of effort, even if it isn't much, their actions can impact the citizens of our community who aren't as fortunate as others and are able to experience the better, more positive things in life.

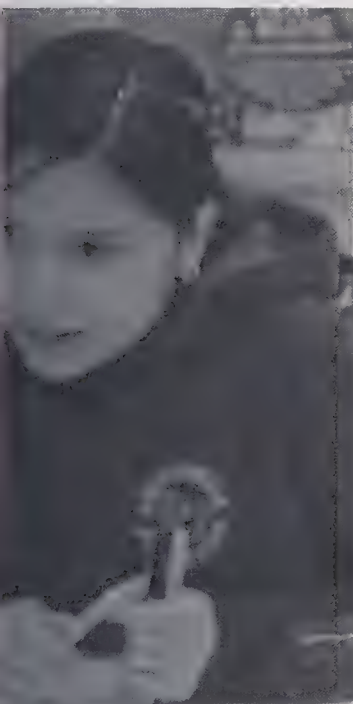
Trying to save forests and lessen the litter in the community, the Interact club helps clean up the environment as well as recycle paper and plastics. “We do campus clean up and lead the recycling effort,” said Senior Bradley Cole. As much as paper is used in the world, many should be grateful that students have concern and are aware that their environment is slowly decreasing in health.

With good intentions, the AIM club has taken action to bring more life back to the school's creek. Cleaning up the litter left behind, such as milk jugs and car tires, has resulted in a healthier looking creek and is steadily improving as service clubs continue their interest in improving our community and our environment.



Freshman Abigail Aguirre and Sophomore Brittany Martinez make posters to hang in the halls for everyone to see as a part of their fundraiser for the local animal shelter.

Juniors Anne Traister and Kelsey Sabo join in on the Key Club after school cleanup.



WHO IS *Susie Pryor?*

She is a girl who loves photography, both digital and film. She spends her weekends wandering around downtown Asheville taking pictures, then going to Mellow Mushroom for a cheese pizza with extra cheese. She plays piano, which she named Fyodor, though she swears she isn't any good. She just recently became a vegetarian.

"I believe in good grammar!"



ARE YOU *a neat freak or sloppy joe?*

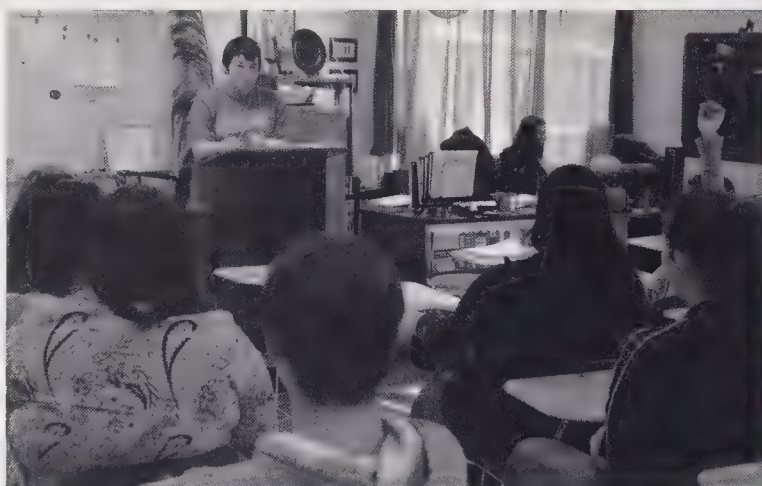
1. First thing your friends say when they walk into your room.
 - a. "Is this your room?" **Mostly A's** You're a Neat Freak!
 - b. "Where's the Playstation?"
 - c. Nothing, they just run away. **Mostly B's** You're a Average Teen!
2. What's on your passenger seat in your car?
 - a. A passenger **Mostly C's**
 - b. Some books for Ms. Case's class.
 - c. Old fast food bags. You're a Sloppy Joe!
3. How long does it take you to clean out your locker at the end of the year?
 - a. Three minutes, unless that little shelf gets stuck.
 - b. About 10 minutes.
 - c. The whole lunch period. Hey! There's that book you borrowed from Ms. West!
4. The teacher asks you to pull out that worksheet that you haven't seen in a week. You:
 - a. flip open your binder and pull it out
 - b. dig through your backpack for a moment before finding it.
 - c. ask for another one.

(Left) Seniors Logan Brackett and Jason Moffitt scrub hard for Key Club. Although cleaning took time and energy, most members agreed that it wasn't so bad. (Above left) Senior Susie Pryor plays her part in keeping the school clean by scrubbing down lockers for the Key Club.

Sometimes the teachers take on the students' role and ask the questions. Mrs. Bailey asks one of her students a question during a French club meeting.



Senior Jason Guillen leads a Spanish Club meeting.



ARE YOU *meant for a foreign language club?*

1. How many words can you say in Spanish?

- a. None. I doodled in that class.
- b. I'm practically fluent. I'm the best ever.
- c. I know how to count to 10. Better than nothing.

Mostly A's

You belong in a little club.

2. If you went to France, would you manage?

- a. No. If they didn't speak English, I'd just walk away.
- b. Of course! They would think I was a native!
- c. Maybe. I could find a bathroom if I needed to...

Mostly B's

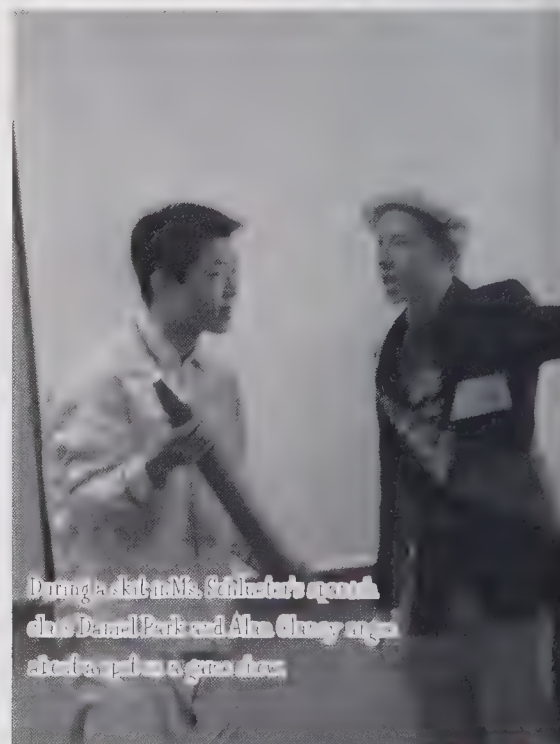
You should be in a medium size club.

Mostly C's

You belong in a big club.

3. Have you ever had a conversation in another language?

- a. Does "hola" count?
- b. Of course.
- c. Not really. A few odd phrases, but not a full conversation.

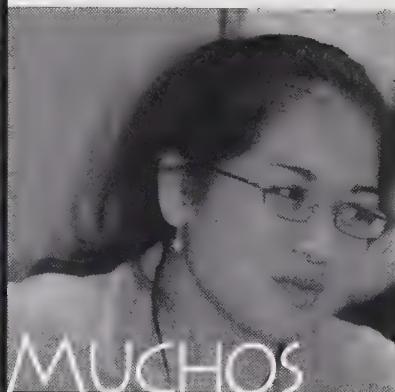


During a skit in Ms. Schuster's Spanish class, Daniel Park and Alan Chany engaged in a conversation.



Ms. Marotta often lets her students have fun, but educational activities like going to the county and playing word games.

DIVERTIMOS



WUCHO?

Foreign language clubs really know how to entertain.

To some, foreign languages are nothing but gibberish written in a text book; words that can't be read, let alone spoken and memorized. To these guys, the thought of clubs dedicated to Spanish and French may seem insane, but these clubs are the exact opposite of their evil twin classes; they have nothing to do with memorization or studying; they're all about food and fun!

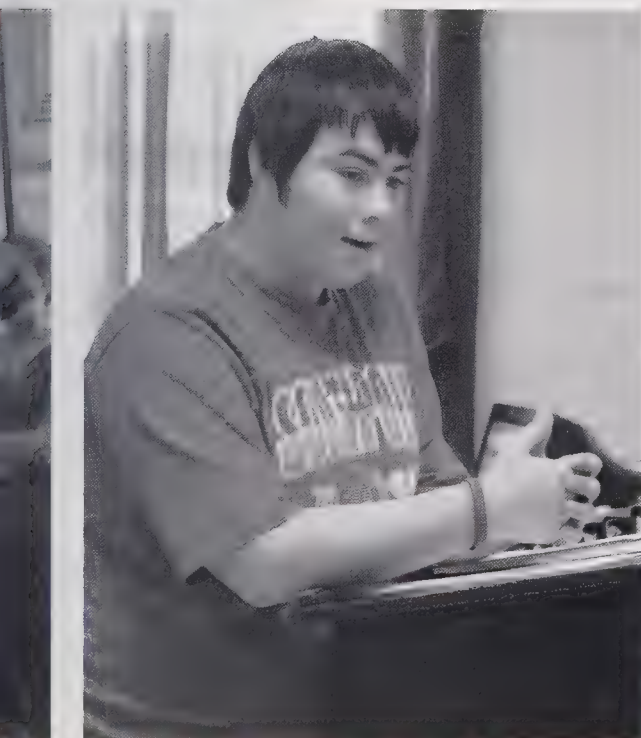
Senior Alicia Diaz said, "I joined French Club because I'm in French and I love crepes [a popular French food]. Its fun because we go out to eat, to games, and out bowling! It's funny to see people miss the pins!" The clubs were set up so students could learn about different cultures by going on outings.

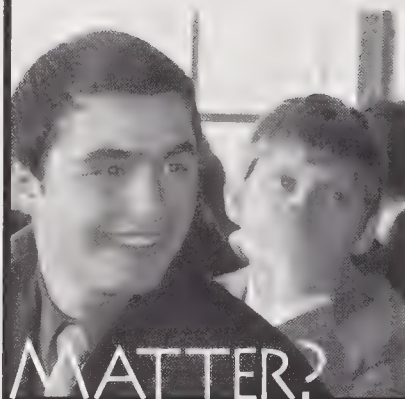
Spanish teacher Mr. Wood commented, "We go out to eat at El Paso and Papas n' Beer. We also go to the movies and do service projects like river sweeping and tutoring Spanish speaking students at Clear Creek." Service projects are a big deal to many of the higher status clubs like DECA and Interact, but the language clubs don't host too many, so for them it's very rewarding. Mr. Wood also said, "I feel great after doing a service project. I just want to give myself a giant hug!"

To Senior Tiherca Ceden, joining French and Spanish club wasn't just about going out for food and movies; it was also a step towards her future. "I like international business," she said. "Having these clubs on my applications will look good to future employers." Those interested in any job related to the language field could kill two birds with one stone, by having fun and looking dedicated at the same time!

Freshman Yolanda Diaz said, "Spanish club is so fun! One time, Mrs. Schleuter broke her pants in the middle of a meeting and had to wear a jacket the rest of the time." But the students didn't make fun of her. These clubs are almost like a mini family; many mix together from different cliques. "Some students even help others by car pooling to events," said Tiherca Ceden. So if you're looking for a chance to get out of the house and enter a different social scene, this may be your outlet.

Left: Senior Jason Gillian gives a speech to the members of the spanish club





DOES MATTER? WALTER'S

From the biggest to the smallest, clubs all have something to offer.

Some people may not realize it but there are a lot of clubs available for students to join at school. Some are more popular and have a larger roster while others are right next to unheard of. Some of the more obscure groups include the Ballroom Dancing Club, Ping Pong Club, Diversity Club, and Interact.

"Smaller clubs are a lot harder to organize," said Senior Jay Pryor, a member of DECA.

Clubs can consist of varying numbers of students. According to Junior Chris Condry, an active member of the Interact Club, it's not a rare occurrence to only have a handful of people at a meeting. Key Club's

Senior Michael Manning apologizes profusely after accidentally hitting Junior Hannah Williams in the face with his Christmas present at the I.T.S. (International Thespian Society) Christmas party. With some tough prerequisites and an odd initiation routine, I.T.S. is one of the smallest clubs.

Junior Ethan Pressley estimates that there are possibly a hundred people in his club. The majority of students believe that Key Club is the largest club with Student Council in a close second.

The reasons some clubs may be bigger is because smaller clubs do not advertise enough. "Some clubs that are smaller aren't putting themselves out there as much and so people aren't getting involved due to not knowing about them," said Jay. Most of the bigger clubs involve themselves within the community, helping with recycling, cleaning around the school and volunteering at retirement homes. Most of the smaller clubs have to do with personal hobbies, such as robotics, ping pong, or dancing. Some students enjoy helping others rather than developing their own interests, which is why Ballroom Dancing and Show Choir are small compared to Key Club and Student Council.

ARE YOU IN *a big or little club?*

1. When you go to a club meeting, you expect..

- a. Lots of fun.
- b. Breakfast
- c. To get there on time (or not get there at all.)

Mostly A's

You belong in a little club.

2. The point of your ideal club:

- a. to perfect a skill, like dancing or chess.
- b. To help out some in the community.
- c. To raise lots of money.

Mostly B's

You should be in a medium size club.

Mostly C's

You belong in a big club.

3. It's your birthday. How many people come to your party?

- a. Just a few. Some of your closest friends.
- b. A good amount. Not too many, but enough to have some great karaoke.
- c. Everyone who can! The more, the merrier!

4. How tough is your club to get into?

- a. Easy, once you figure out when they actually meet.
- b. Very easy. They announce when their meetings are going to be and beg people to come.
- c. You have to be voted in- it's pretty tough.

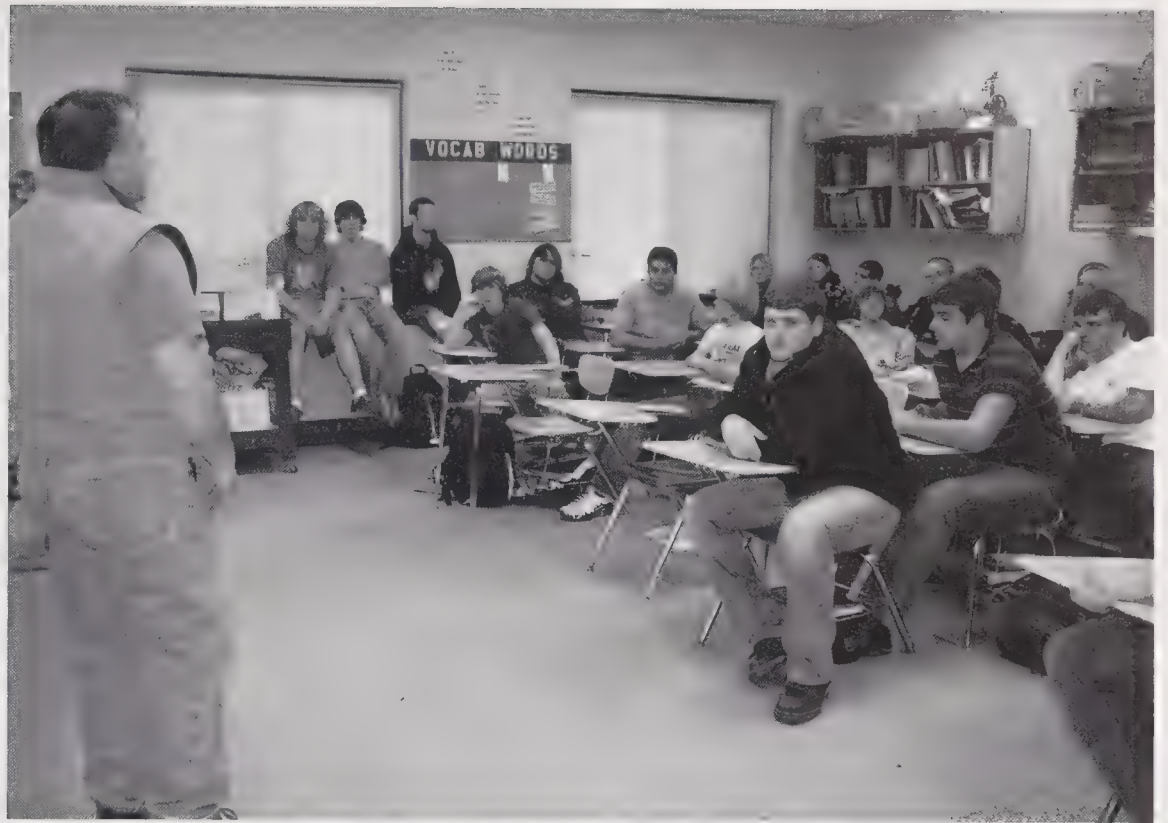
Of course, there are some exceptions. Interact, although one of the smallest clubs in school, has continued a year-long recycling program that has recieved a good response from teachers and students. "We have people who actually want to participate in the club as opposed to the larger clubs with less participation," said Senior Heather Lorenz. "It makes the whole group more successful." Other big organizations, like the Future Farmers of America (FFA) focus on their own personal interests, like raising money for the shooting team to go to competition.

No matter the size of the club, each and every club is just as fun and important as every other one.





Above: Seniors George McKee and Cara Norris take a nap on the way home from DECA competition. (Photo courtesy of Daniel Park.)
Right: The Robotics team shows off their robot after school. Being a new club, they are one of the smallest.



Above: Mr. Hnatow leads an FFA (Future Farmers of America) meeting during first period. Left: Juniors Brittany Tatters and Dexter Blackwell count the money raised from the DECA Penny Wars.

WHAT *Numbers?*

Number of People
in FFA
56

Number of leaders
in FCA
4

Number of Twirls
ballroom has done
723

Amount of money
raised by DECA for
the Penny Wars
1000

Number of times
Ballroom club
meets a week
2

Boxes of cereal
raised by DECA.
425

COMPARING SIZES

Still Life

{ catching memories to last a lifetime. }

AMany art classes have been offered over the years, but the 2005-2006 school year was the first year a photography class had been offered; Digital Photography to be specific. The first classes acted somewhat as guinea pigs in another one of Mr. Gore's experiments. Luckily, no freshmen were scared during this experiment, unlike his liquid nitrogen bombs in the courtyard.

In its second year, Photography was taken a step further, adding a dark room to the class. It was a divided class of 40 plus students and two teachers. Mr. Gore taught the digital photography section while Ms. Runkle taught students the "old fashion," also known as 35mm and develop film.

Because they were in the library for about five weeks waiting for their new darkroom, the film photography class didn't get a lot of hands on experience at first. A few students got to contribute to the art/dark room, helping paint the former custodial office black to improve the dark room effect. "We got paint all over ourselves and set up the entire room. It was tons of fun," said Sophomore Megan McCraw.

In the other half of the class, students got to learn how to use a digital camera for more than snapping quick "pics" of friends. They are taught how to use Photoshop to manipulate their photos into whatever they'd like it to be, but most seem to prefer the reality of taking their own, raw photos that remain untouched in the dark room.

STUDIOS

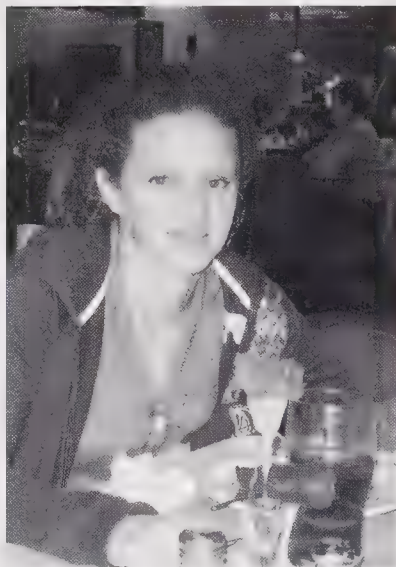




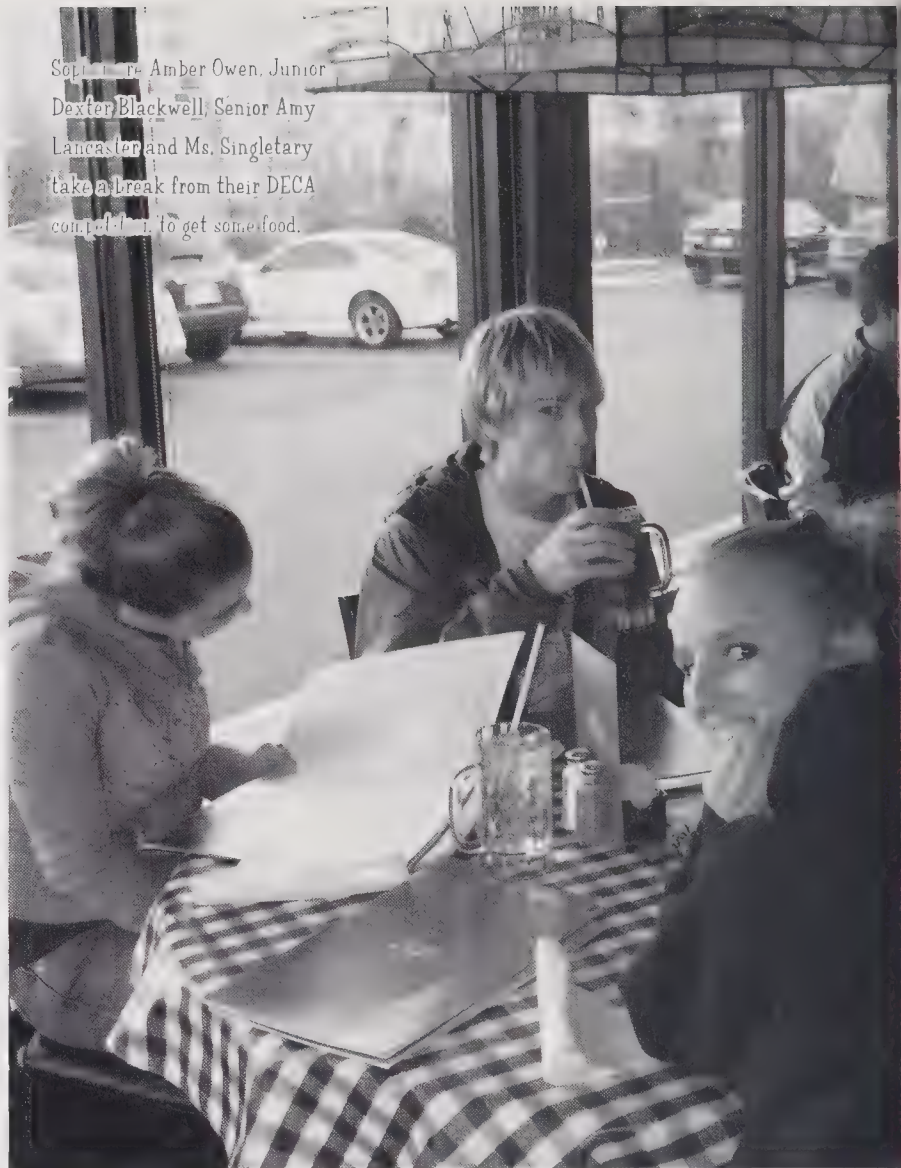
Arch Perez



Sophomores Elizabeth Franklin and Laura Redden enjoy each other's company at The J&S Cafeteria to earn their points for Student Council.



Freshman Alexis Lively finished her meal at the J&S Cafeteria. Going out to eat before games was an easy way for Student Council members to earn their points.



Sophomores Amber Owen, Junior Dexter Blackwell, Senior Amy Lancaster and Ms. Singletary take a break from their DECA competition to get some food.

ARE YOU *salt or pepper?*

1. Do you prefer the breakfast or the dinner menu?

- a. Dinner
- b. Breakfast
- c. Lunch

Mostly A's

You're a salt lover!

2. What entree would you prefer?

- a. Steak
- b. Salad
- c. Seafood

Mostly B's

You're a pepper lover!

3. When you go to a restaurant, do you leave your hat on?

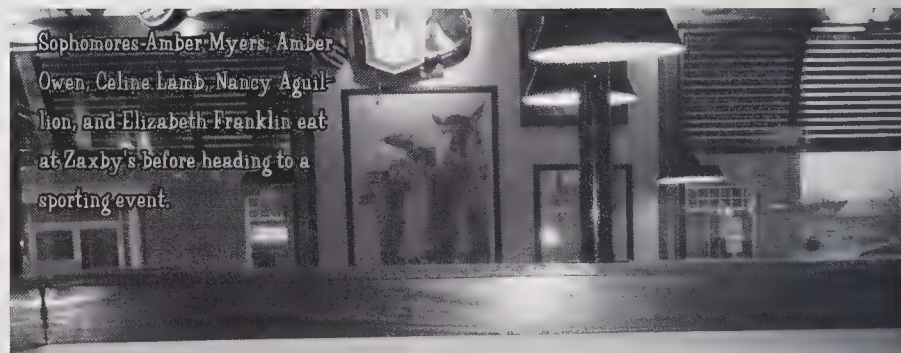
- a. No
- b. Yes
- c. I don't wear hats

Mostly C's

You're not big on either!

4. Are you a vegetarian or a carnivore?

- a. Carnivore
- b. Vegetarian
- c. I love both!



Sophomores Amber Myers, Amber Owen, Celine Lamb, Nancy Aguilion, and Elizabeth Franklin eat at Zaxby's before heading to a sporting event.



Rendezvous

{ a favorite or popular
gathering place. a
meeting among friends. }

It's a fact: Many social gatherings revolve around food. Food can draw people together no matter what the occasion. Many clubs at North get together periodically to eat out at different restaurants. Sometimes, eating out with a club is a way to discuss club business, but most of the time it is so that the club members can just kick back relax and enjoy each others company.

The holidays give good reason for clubs to go out to eat. "We went to El Paso for the holidays to exchange gifts with our Secret Santas. It was a lot of fun!" said Junior Patricia Tomas, an active member of the AIM Club. Going out to eat allows club members to get together with other people who share the same common interests. When people get together that are in Spanish or French Club, it allows members to experience different cultures.

Sometimes, eating out can get expensive, but the Advanced Foods class found a way to solve that problem. With the funds that they earned from their business, "Room Service," by selling homemade treats from classroom to classroom, the class toured the Grove Park kitchen and ate lunch at the Biltmore Estate. "The kitchens were amazing at Grove Park and the food was delicious!" said Senior Serenity Ash.

For the most part, going out to eat with a club allows the members to talk in fellowship together outside of school. "We get together to have fun!" said Senior Jason Guillen. Jason said that Spanish Club has gone out to eat at Los Volcanes and El Paso and that both times have been exciting. Student Council

members eat out to gain the points needed to stay in the club. "I think that eating out is a good way to earn the points you need for Student Council,"

said Senior Jeremy Wilder.

When a school club goes out to eat, it allow the members to relax and let loose while enjoying every ones favorite thing: great food!

CLUBS EATING OUT

HOW TO figure a tip

1. Go eat. If you are at a restaurant where you do not clear your own table, tipping is the proper thing to do.
2. Look at your bill. Then evaluate the service you recieved while you ate. Keep in mind, 15% is the minimum amount that you should leave.
3. Figuring out 15% of a bill is easy. Find 10%. You do this by simply taking the last number off your bill. (10% of \$35.00 is \$3.50.) Divide this number in half to get 5%. (Half of \$3.50 is \$1.75.) Add these numbers together and you have 15%. (\$3.50 plus \$1.75 is \$5.25.) Many cell phones have tip-calculators that make this even easier.
4. Keep in mind, 15% is minimum. Servers don't get paid much. You should alway tip at least \$1 for each person at your table, and if you have a big party, add more.

Blood

*the fluid that circulates
in the principal
vascular system of
human beings*

Many students work towards becoming a licensed CNA by the time they graduate from high school. Before these students can take trips to the hospital to get any field practice, they must learn the basics in Health Team Relations and Allied Health 1.

Allied Health 1 teaches the basics that these future medical professionals need to know. "We learn about the parts of the body, medical terms, and the different systems our body has," said Junior Kristian Gilbert.

Most students who took Allied Health 1 plan to further their education by taking Allied Health 2 in order to get their CNA license, so that they can work in the medical profession. "I want to pursue a career in the medical field and become a pediatrician," said Junior Lacie Baker.

Students in the Allied Health 2 class got a better feel of what it's like to work in the medical profession. "We learned how to take temperatures, read vital signs, take someone's blood pressure, and about different injuries and how to treat them," said Senior Carson Rhodes. They also had an opportunity to put their skills to work by participating in activities such as vision screenings at Apple Valley Middle School and helping with the blood drive in November.

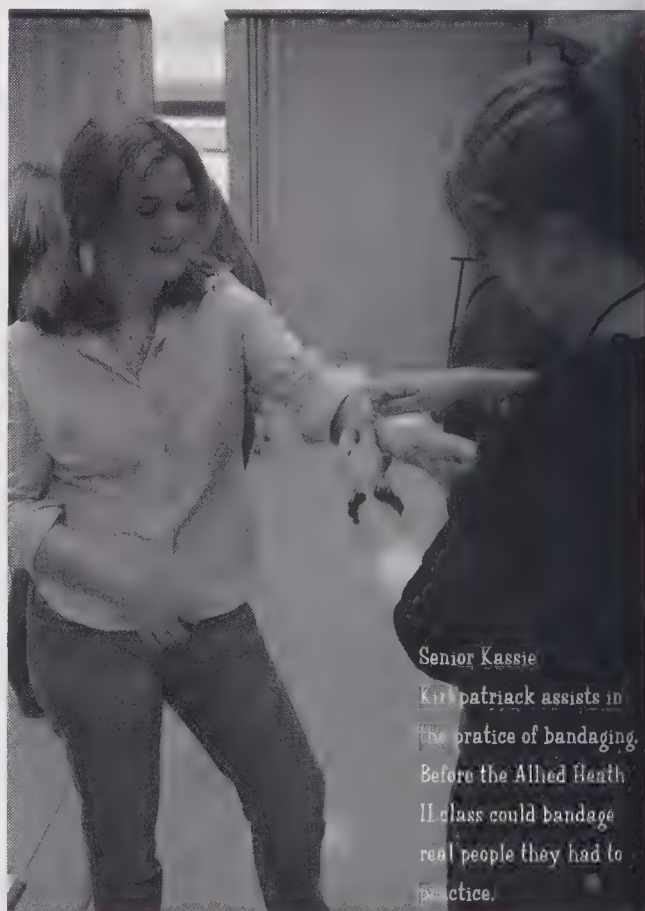
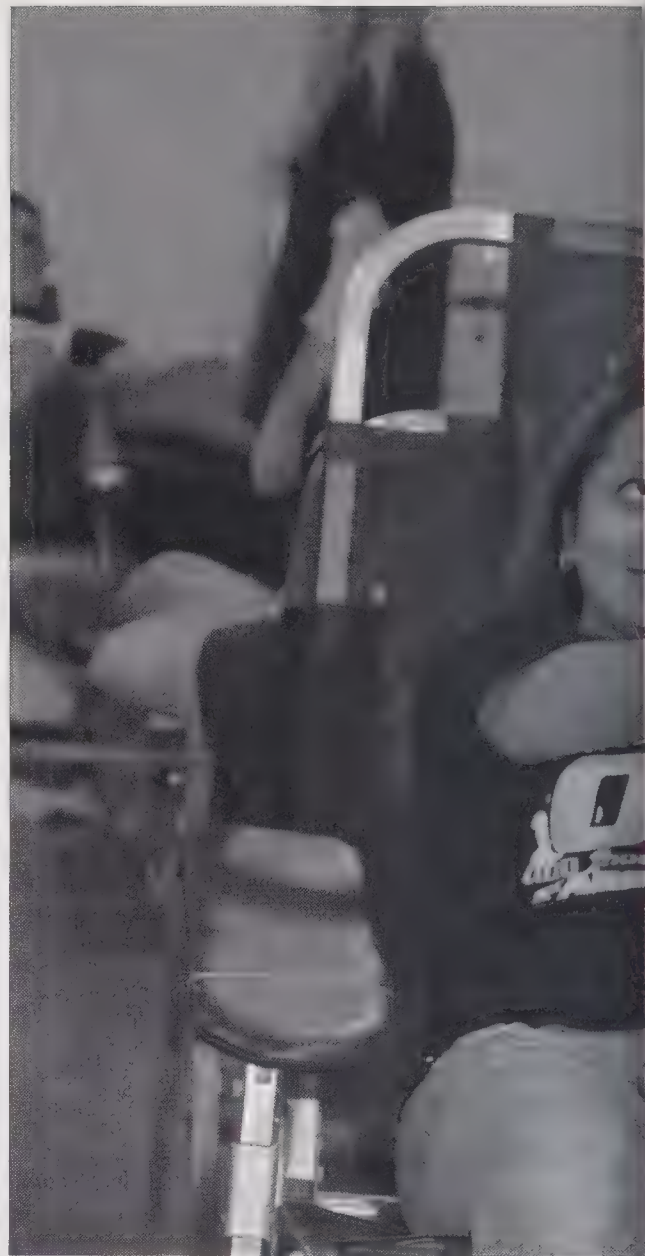
Several students said the person that influenced them to work in the medical field was a member of their family. "A lot of the members of my family are in the medical field, and the human body really interests me," said Senior Josh Drake.

Allied Health wasn't serious all the time; the students did have several fond memories of the class that didn't involve hard work. "One day Carson Rhodes inflated a pair of rubber gloves and stuffed them down his shirt, and went around dressed like a girl," said Senior Lacie Mills.

The biggest reward to students in Allied Health 2 was, "getting our



Senior Jay Pryor is a testament to how nerve racking donating blood can be. He talks on his phone to ease his nerves and make the time pass.



Senior Kassie Kirpatrick assists in the practice of bandaging. Before the Allied Health II class could bandage real people they had to practice.



Moving to the cause is
 Senior Tara Escobar.
 Most students were
 nervous about going
 there because it was
 their first time.

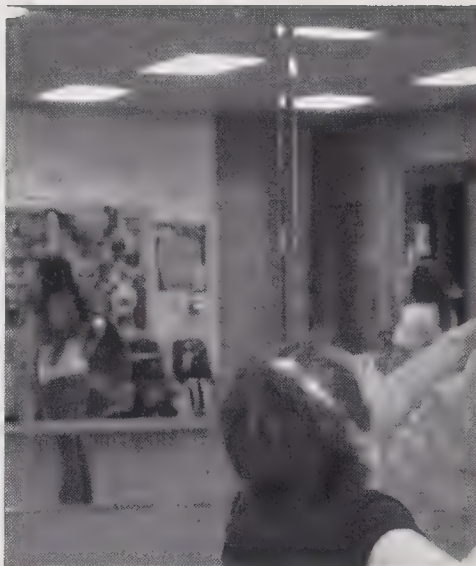
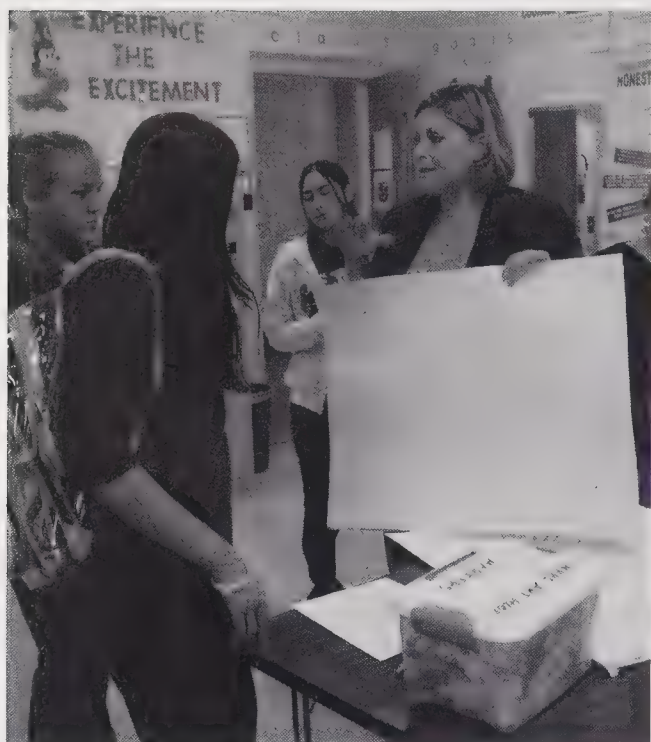


Allie...
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ALLIED HEALTH

Mrs. Lytle begins the FCCLA meeting by telling instructions on how to make the posters for FCCLA's winter fundraiser.

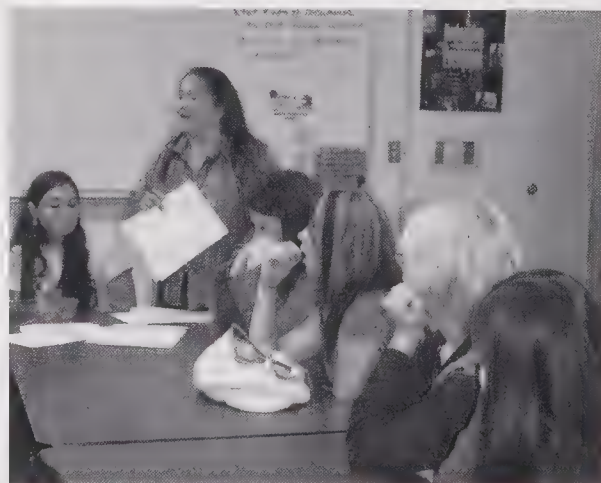
Senior Sarah Ray and Junior Greg Tabor show that they don't have two left feet during a meeting for Ballroom Dance Club.



Seniors Rachel Park and Jay Pryor, and Juniors Courtney Barnwell and Shaina Danner recite the pledge at the beginning of one of their DECA meetings.



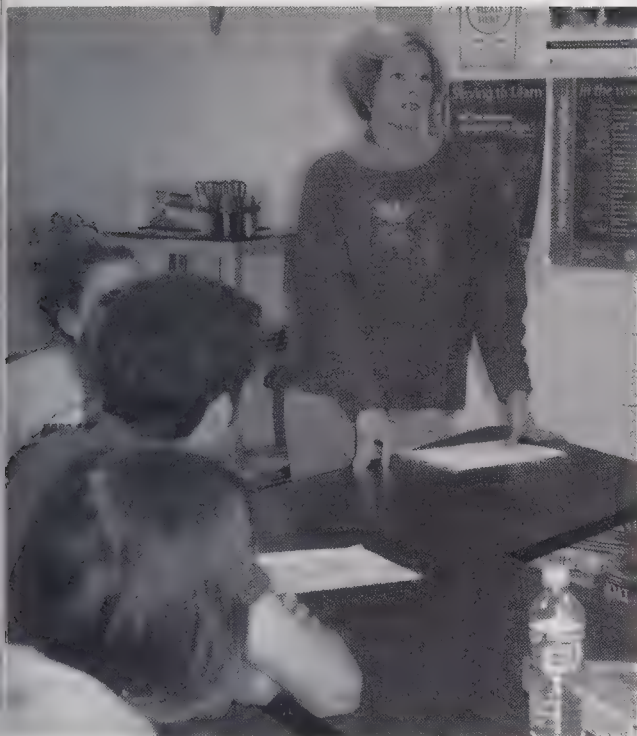
Mrs. Jackson goes over the agenda for the year at one of the first meetings for FBLA.



t the beginning
f a DECA meeting
Mrs. Singletary
iscusses the
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Early Bird

1. a person who rises at
an early hour.

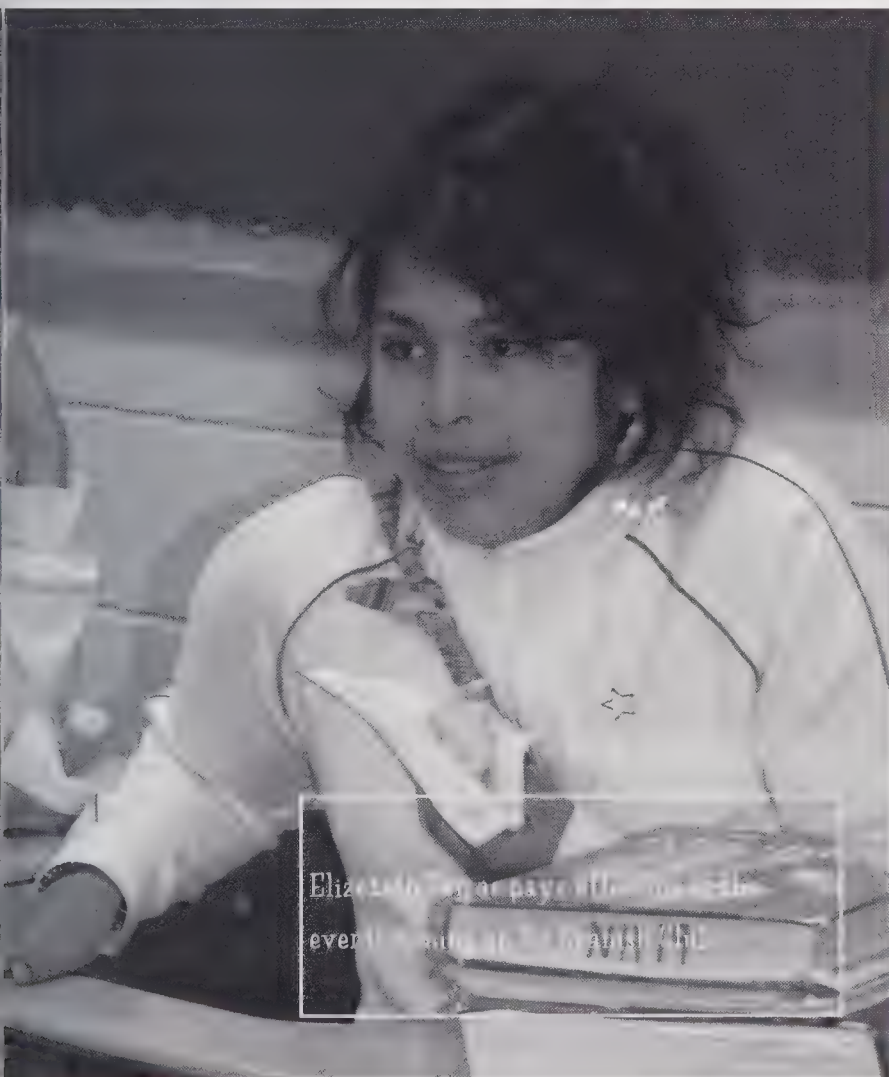


Rushing around, trying to get to school before 8:05AM is difficult, but making that DECA meeting that starts at 7:24 or a Student Council meeting... that is incredible. Some club sponsors are strict about attendance; while others are thrilled, the student even made it, even if the meeting is almost over. Senior Jay Prindle, a member of the Ballroom Dance club said, "I have been waking up early for other clubs, so I'm used to it." Most students are used to waking up just before they have to leave for school.

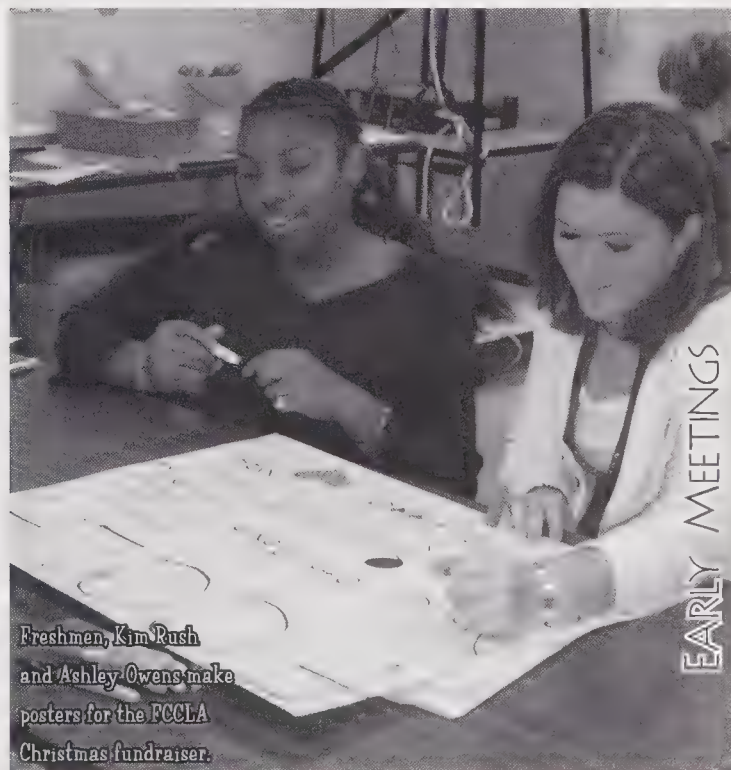
Early morning club meetings do sound drab, but most decision-making for many clubs are done while many students are still in bed. Getting out of bed half an hour early just to look good for potential colleges may seem like the end of the world, or in some cases, completely unworldly. However, there are students who do get involved with the clubs they join because they have a true interest in whatever the club involves itself with. "I joined HOSA because I want to be a physical therapist and male nurse after I graduate," said Senior Josh Drake.

While many students join clubs for the fun of it, they also look good to colleges and can even help pay for college. "DECA looks good to colleges, and you can get a lot of scholarships," said Junior Shelby Murray.

The bottom line is that, sure, afternoons would be okay, but most clubs prefer mornings. So students who plan to be involved in a club, should get lots of sleep and be prepared to get up early.



Elizabeth Taylor pays off the...
event... 2000...



Freshmen, Kim Rush
and Ashley Owens make
posters for the FCCLA
Christmas fundraiser.

EARLY MEETINGS

Hypothesis

*! an assumption or
concession made for the sake
of argument.*

What sees into our past and is used to look into our near future? The stars and planets have been there to see it all and have much more awaiting for them.

Students gather around in the library and listen to a brief introduction about planets and stars before entering in a huge silver dome imitating our vast galaxy. Learning about astronomy and the past putting images of the stars together, known as constalations. To some, space is a very interesting topic and those people would enjoy the Star Lab. "It was interesting and informative. I have attended it before, but it made more sense now" said Freshman Kaitlyn Paine.

Now with some basic information of space and planets, students have gained some very precious knowledge.

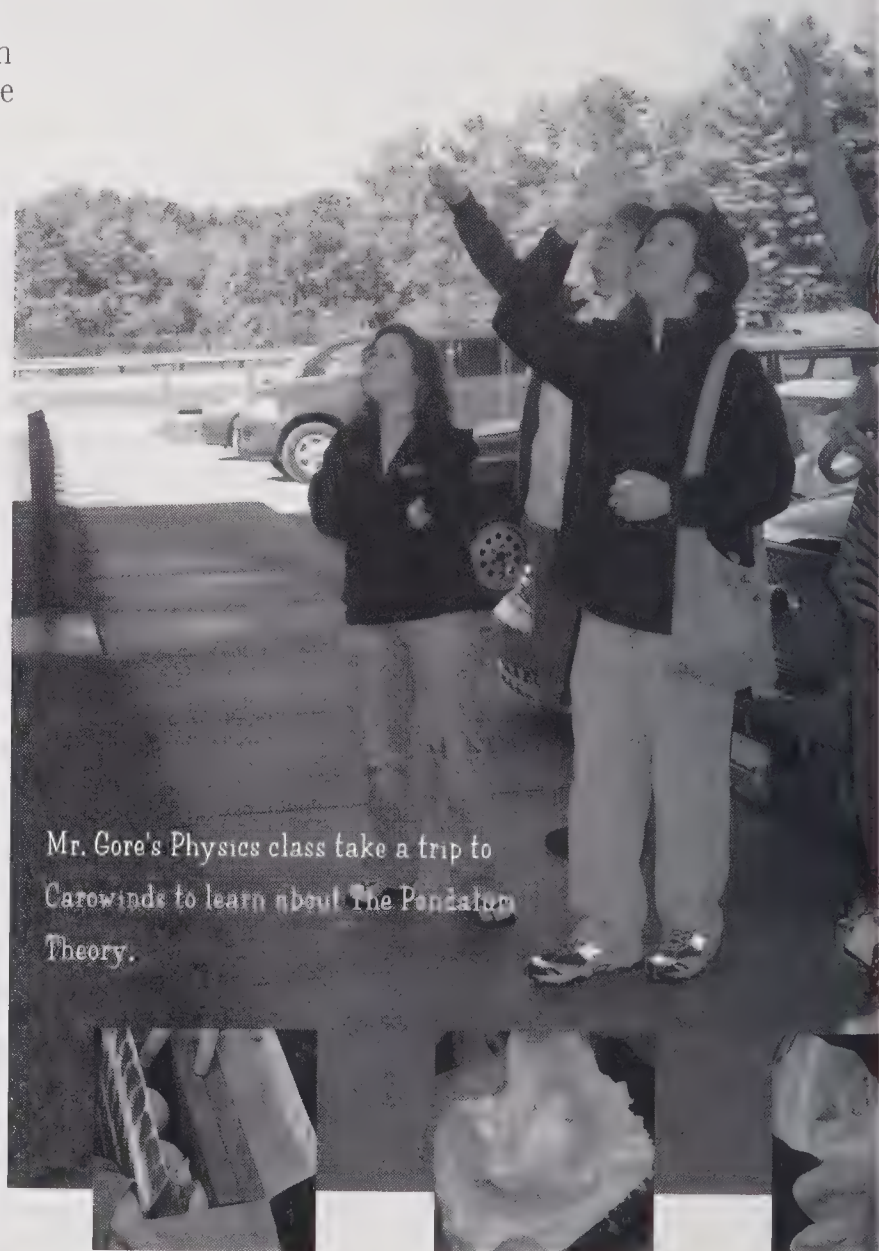
In the past, many star gazers have turned upon the sky to guide and predict their lives. Now in the present, that tradition has died out and grown thin, though many might use it in the future telling for entertainment. Nobody knows where the stars will guide them next.

DISTINGUISHED

Walker Johnson shows off his egg contraption. Used to keep his egg from smashing when thrown off the building. How clever!



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Mr. Gore's Physics class take a trip to Carowinds to learn about The Pendulum Theory.

Junior Chris Blank receives the egg that he must protect in his experiment for Mr. Gores's Physics class.

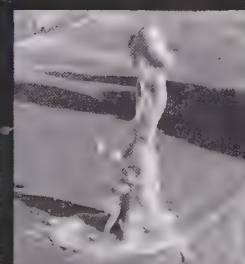


Ms. Toler shows her class how to use the telescopes for an experiment in order to collect correct data.




In Mr. Gores physics class, one of the funnest class activities is the egg drop. Here, Mr. Gore drops his egg inside a neatly constructed stick box. We'll see how long that lasts.

HOW TO *make coke exptode*



1. First things first guys. Go to the grocery store and get a pack of mentose breath mints and a diet
2. Next, put your items on some type of solid floor (not in your home!!) Using the ground outside such as a sidewalk, road, or even in the grass will work fine.
3. Now, open your bottle of coke and drop in the mentose... atleast half o the pack. One or two will not make a big explosion.
4. And the best part! Take a quick step back and watch as the bottle twists and turns and gushes out tones of liquidy goodness.



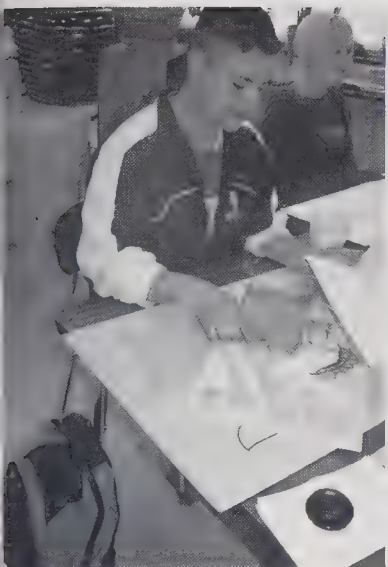
THE ESSENTIAL HESSENTIAL E S C H O O L

We all have one thing in common as we make it through those crazy halls.

Over a shoulder and out the door... Walking down the halls, it seems that backpacks are the one thing that everyone has in common. And yet, we all cram different stuff in ours. Packed with binders, notecards, highlighters, stinky gym clothes, cell phones, iPods, makeup, water bottles, comic books, pencils and all kinds loose English papers, our bookbags provide everything we need to make it through our everyday lives at North.

There are some unique bags among us- we have messenger bags, tote bags, rolling packs and, of course, the traditional two-shoulders bookbags. We draw on them, stick patches and buttons on them, monogram them with our initials and roll them in dirt, making them all unique to the owners.

It's the highschool essential- possibly more important than the pencils and papers they contain. So, pack it, zip it, and carry it to class!



Pedro Perez



Jennifer Digangi



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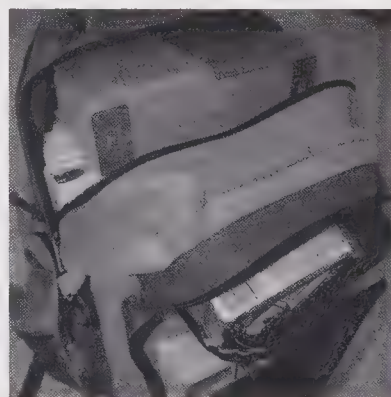
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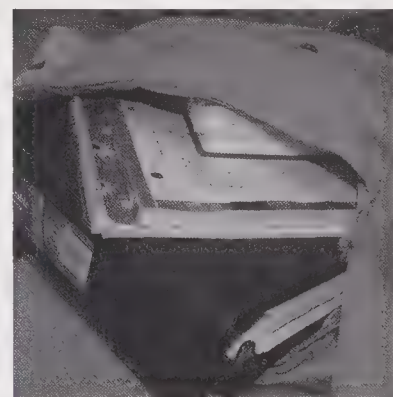
- One battery
- Two pens, five automatic pencils, two wooden pencils, one blue overhead marker, two highlighters
- A bathroom pass
- A folded up schedule and report card from first semester
- A pair of headphones
- A cropping tool made in art class
- Photocopied World History notes, highlighted
- Loose worksheets
- A copy of **Beowulf**
- An agenda book
- World History book and binder
- Principles of Business book and binder
- An English binder with a workbook inside
- A small blue calculator



- Small box filled with Senior pictures
- Six Sharpies, a pencil, a pen, four highlighters, a loose set of colored pencils and a graphing calculator
- Notecards for AP Biology
- "J" shaped Post-its
- A mostly-eaten bag of sunflower seeds
- Hairbrush and clip
- Papers regarding college
- SAT Prep book and SAT results
- Buried agenda book
- An unused book cover
- A copy of the Student Code of Conduct
- Theatre portfolio
- AP Biology binder and textbook
- An orange Strings notebook
- An application for the University of Miami
- A Biology textbook



- Two sets of index cards for AP Psychology and AP Government
- Two AP Psychology textbooks
- AP Psychology workbook
- A peanut granola bar, sweet and salty mix, fruit jello, Crystal Light drink mix
- Six highlighters
- Lots of pens
- A long lost umbrella
- AP English textbook
- A copy of **Hardball with Chris Matthews**
- Four books for AP Government
- Loose poems and papers
- Letters from college
- Two binders



- 2-inch Civics binder, holding two spiral notebooks
- A flowered spiral notebook for French notes
- French workbook
- A copy of Funke's **The Thief Lord** with constitutional ammendments stapled and taped to the first several pages
- A loose French vocab notebook
- A loose stack of worksheets crumpled up underneath the rest of the books

Fundraisers are not only a great way for students to get involved but they also benefit people's lives. Getting out and getting students to become involved is a major part of numerous clubs at North. "Everyone in our FFA [Future Farmers of America] sold beef jerky in order to get our shooting team jackets and to pay for upcoming events," explained Junior Mathew Badenhomer.

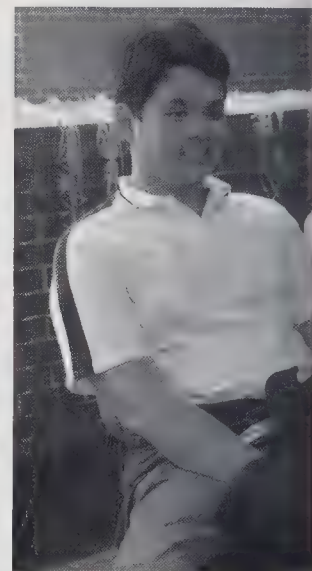
Fundraising brings on a lot of competition between the classes and, sometimes, even the faculty. For instance, during DECA's Penny Wars, there was a constant battle between all the grade levels. The seniors ended up raising the most money, but had so much money put against them that they ended up in third place with the faculty pulling in first and the freshmen coming in second. "I believe Penny Wars was very successful because it brought on a competition and people tend to want to win," said Freshman Dakota Medd. This competition is why DECA ended up raising over nine hundred dollars to send children with multiple sclerosis to a special camp.

Most fundraisers are a tradition. Student Council has sponsored the canned food drive for several years in a row. Senior Michael Doll said, "It gave the homeless a good meal and helped them survive." The students ended up raising around three thousand cans and an overload of Ramen noodles. They usually give these donations to homeless shelters like the Salvation Army. DECA has a tradition of selling spirit shirts every year. They ordered about four hundred shirts and successfully sold the majority of them.

Student Council did a fundraiser for Bounty of Bethlehem. "We have taken up a lot of nice coats and great toys for the kids," said Senior Leah Cagle. Those sponsoring the Bounty of Bethlehem believe that everyone needs a good Christmas and strive to make that possible, making sure that little kids who are less fortunate get something for the holidays. Student Council also asked every member of the club to bring two items like cotton balls, Q-tips, mouthwash toothpaste and other basic necessities for the soldiers across sea. They sent out six boxes to former North students that are currently in the army. Student Council received a thank you back from two of the former North students across sea; it was very nice to hear that he got it and appreciated it. They ended up with a couple extra boxes to send to anyone that they knew over seas-not just former North students.

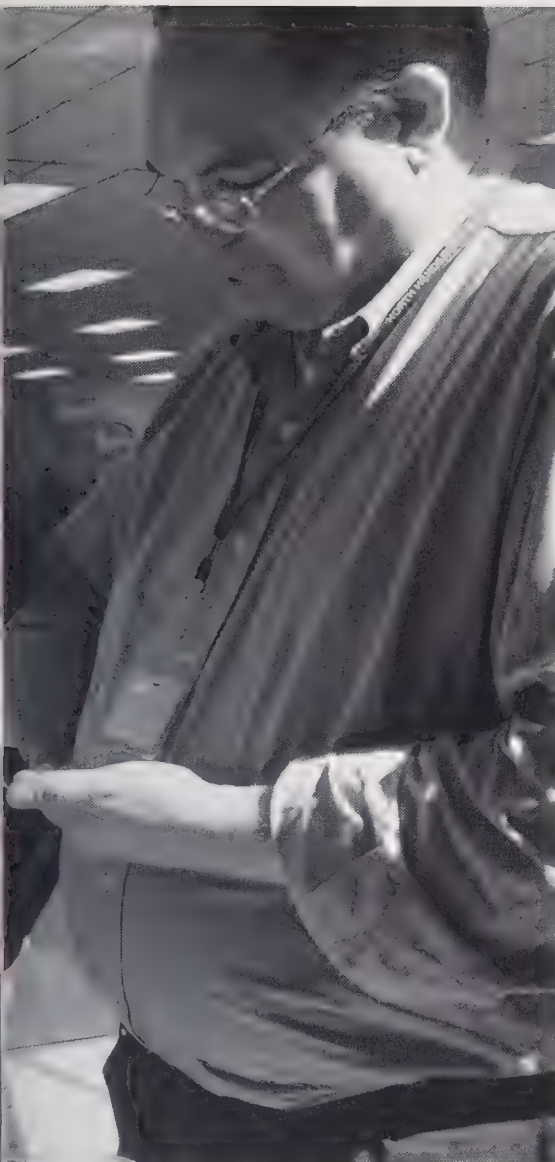
A lot of people don't even know about half of the fundraisers that go on or don't ever get involved in them. Clubs are constantly trying to grab the student body's attention, whether it means doing silly skits on the morning announcements, making bright posters, or walking from classroom to classroom making announcements. People tend to agree fundraisers are a great way to sponsor a club or help out in the community.

Mr. Lewis helps the teachers out by putting nickels into the other grade levels, so the faculty would win the Penny Wars.



STUDIOUS *Donate*

*{ to give to charity
or a good cause. }*



Members of the dance team sold raffle tickets during lunch. The winner would win goodie-filled gift baskets. All the money raised from this fundraiser went towards the annual dance competition in Gatlinburg.



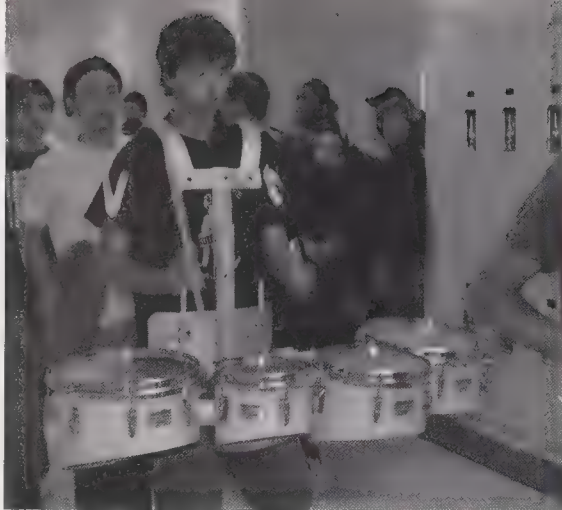
Below: Junior Scott Lindsey and Senior George McKee try to persuade people to donate money to Penny Wars a DECA fundraiser. Left: Senior Stacey Gresock sells tickets to support her fellow theatre students. Above: Senior Cara Norria helps host appeal fundraiser.



Above: Juniors Vidal Tan and Carey Maxwell both Juniors made halos to help raise money for their class. They worked very hard during Spirit Week to keep a positive attitude. Left: Students donated over nine hundred dollars to DECA's Penny Wars.



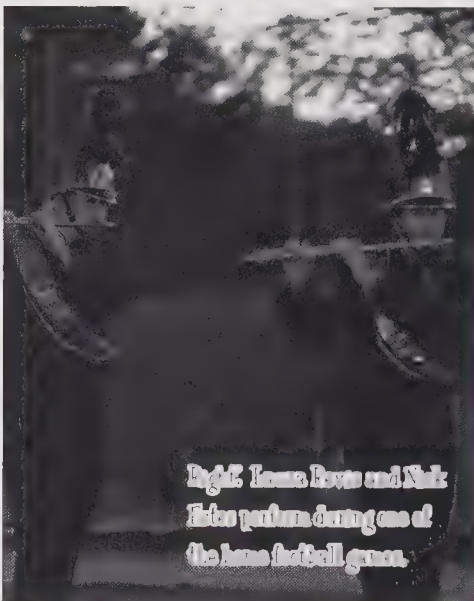
Right: Sophomore Johnathan Robinson marches down the hallway playing his drums during spirit week. It's a tradition for the band to play their music through the hallways right before class breaks.



Right: Senior Tiffani Williams gets ready to direct the band at a football game.



Below: Junior Greg Tabor gets on his knees during a performance with the rest of the band at a football game. The band did a great job performing during half time. Right: Sophomore Michael Clifford, Junior Ben Klump and Freshman Edward Barnwell concentrate on playing the right notes.



Top row from left to right: Tiffani Williams, Mr. Maass, Corey Morgan, Larry Midget, Corey Denham, John Robinson, Garrett Leech, Stephanie Pennell, Ben Clump, Colby Wolfe, John Caudle, Greg Tabor, Valentin Deleon, Juan Para, Nick Estes, Carissa Mathis, Joshua Maciejewski, Logan Clancy, Sable Porter, Michael Alvarez



Right: Sophomore Garrett Leech performs in the commons area during spirit week. Left: Senior Corey Denham and other members of the drumline practice outside.





To some it comes naturally, but for others, it takes a lot of time and effort to become the great and talented singers and musicians they are. "Being in chorus (or any other musically inclined class) is not always easy; you actually have to work really hard," explained Sophomore Lindsey Corn. Music in general is considered hard to many people for numerous reasons: It takes time to master reading music and learning to play an instrument can be quite discouraging. Musicians must learn to comprehend sheet music, and, if playing an instrument must be able to read and play sets of notes all at the same time. Creating any kind of music requires both natural and acquired talents.

Some people think that learning how to play an instrument is as easy as learning to count to three. Others, mostly the people who play the music, see playing an instrument as a very difficult task that requires many skills at once. Depending on the difficulty of the song, the song might be easy to play, or tricky. After a musician learns the concepts and the rules to play an instrument, playing music can become a lot easier. "I picked to play the violin because it was small, easy to carry, and mainly because it was very classy," added Sophomore Elizabeth Franklin.

Many people also think singing comes easy but it's a lot more complicated than people think. Singers have to learn how to use their diaphragms, adjust their vocal ranges and hit the right notes no matter how high or low they may be.

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Music

*Melody, Tune, Harmony
Composition, Song, Jingle,
Refrain.*



It takes a lot of hard work and practice to become a successful marching band. Band members must practice for hours every week, both inside school and out.



BAND/STRINGS/CHORUS



Left: The chorus class puts on a show for their fellow students. Above: The band rocks the house in a show following the chorus performance. Both groups worked really hard to put on a good show.



Left: Junior Cannan Cox practices his music in his strings class.

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154 and 155.)

"I started off when I was young and it has definitely paid off. I've won an award for making honors chorus and I have just found out that I made the Mars Hill Honors Choir," said Junior Michael Harwood. "Everyone thinks that chorus is sissy, but it's not. It freaking rocks!" Many people think that chorus is only for girls because singing is considered a feminine talent, but, if this were true, people like Josh Groban, Elvis Presley, John Mayer, and countless other male singing artists would not be popular.

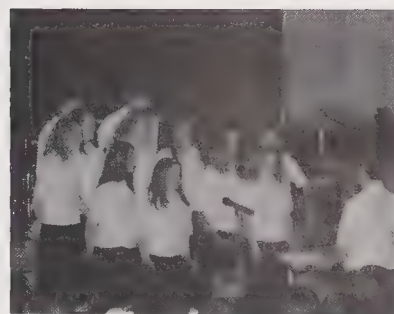
Being talented does not come easily for some, while, for others, it just comes naturally. "I love to sing and, on top of that, I'm good at it," Michael said. Music is one of the main things that shape peoples' lives. Many people turn to music to help them release their stress, angers, fears, and happiness. "Without music, my life would be pointless!" said Michael.

Music is not just for relief though. Sometimes people depend on music as a lifestyle. It can influence a future job for some musicians, so being involved in strings chorus or band can now prepare students for years to come. Whether a person listens to music to calm down after a stressful day, sings music to make it into that state choir or plays music at a concert for their family and friends, music influences not only someone's personality but also the friends a person has.

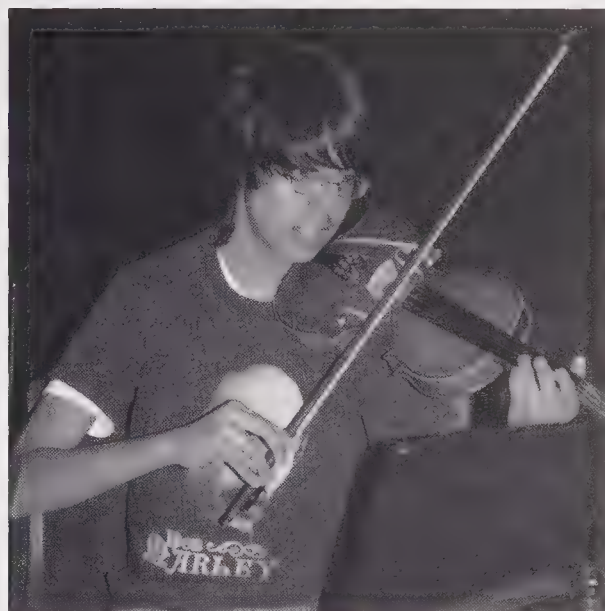




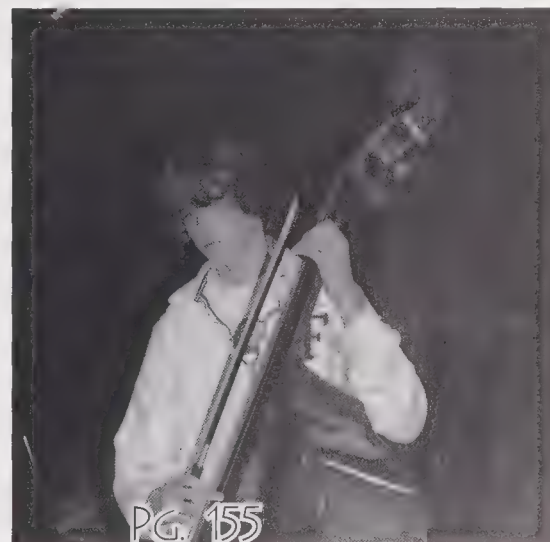
Top left: Sophomore Ty Williams practices playing her violin for the strings concerts. Top right: The chorus is sings at a concert. Bottom right: The band practices to get ready for a concert. Bottom left: The chorus prepares for the concert with the band behind them.



Left: Sophomore twins Ethan and Everett Hardin play thier cello's during strings class. These kids are very devoted to their music. Right: Freshman Dennis Zaragoza, enjoys playing the violin. He has a strings class at school where he can learn and play new music.



Left: At a concert, the beginners choir gives an amazing performance, Never underestimate beginners! Below: Sophomore Marc Lytle provides the rhythm for the strings class with his bass.



Creation

{ Design, Conception, To
make, Construction,
Manufacture, Innovate. }

When joining the teen living course, a student expects to bake cookies and learn to sew, and cook stuff, but who would predict that they might be making play dough or sewing boxers? "We would make play dough so that we could entertain the kids when babysitting," said Freshman Lauren Ballard. They also tried to spice up their cooking experiences by making tacos, spaghetti, and brownies. Lauren admitted that, while she did enjoy her class, she does not plan to pursue it as a career. She does though believe the class was worth her time. "It was fun and we got to experience more things," said Lauren.

"We made some plaque board," said Sophomore Kevin Blackwell. Kevin has family members at home that do a little carpentry from time to time, so he had a little grasp on what he was doing. "It's fun to make something out of nothing. Out of the stuff we made I would have to say that the plaque is my favorite, and it made a half moon piece of finished wood," said Sophomore Ethan Rogers said "out of all the things we made, I would have to say . Junior Nathan Nalley said, "Out of the stuff that we made my favorite is the mini 2-by-4's because they were easy to cut and measure. Constructing and carpentry were a big part of the teen living class.



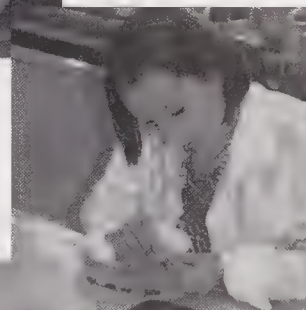
Junior Andy Holder said, "Out of all the stuff that we made I would have to say the necklaces were the most fun to make. You were able to design your own necklace just how you wanted it." The class not only consisted of carpentry and building things, but also of making anything from food to jewelry. The class offers a wide variety of material to learn.

Whether you wanted to learn how to make some spaghetti, or make yourself a necklace to wear, teen living was the class take. It offered many different skills to a student, and the class seems to be growing each year.



Sophomore Brittany
Bradford cuts a piece of
material to make shorts.

Sophomore Amanda
Owen works diligently
on a project.



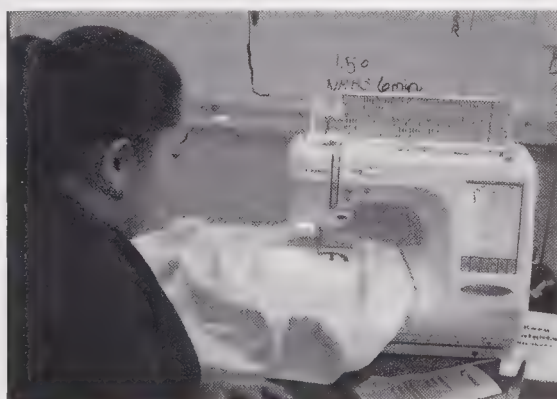
Painting Senior Sarah
Ray has artistic ability
both in performing and
fine arts.



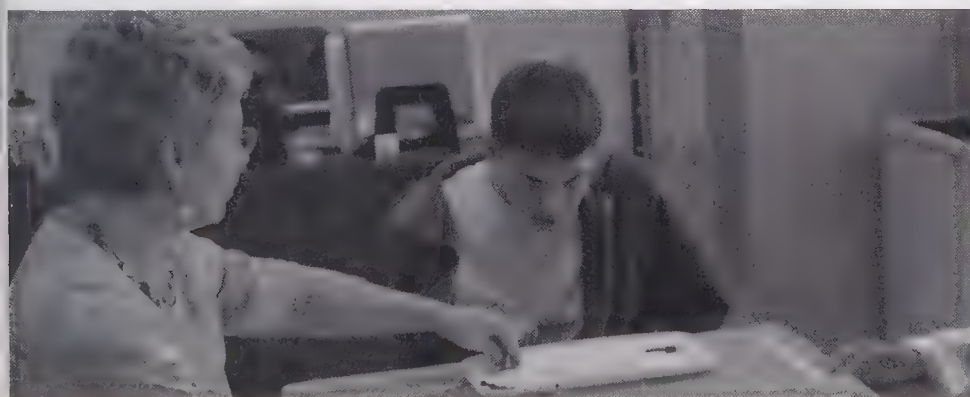
Junior Lisa Ramsey
finishes her sewing job
and cuts the string so
she may tie it off and be
finished.

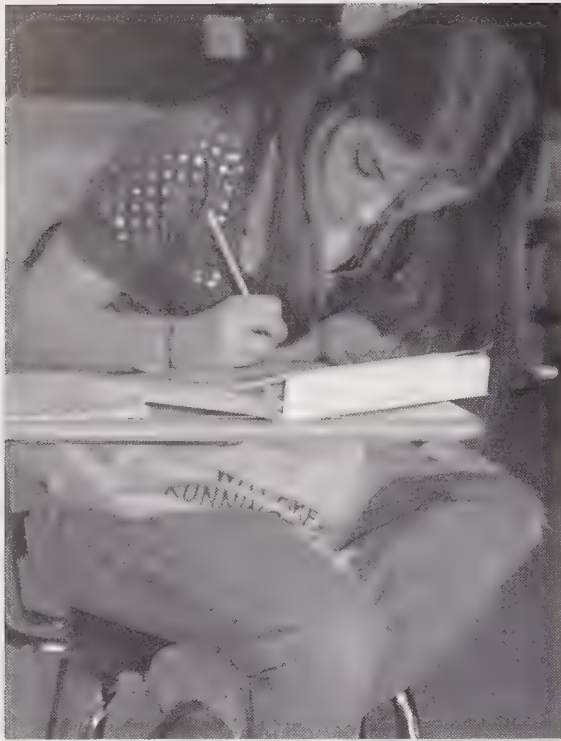


Above: Putting beads on a string Sophomore Anothony Taylor
makes a necklace. Left: Praticing ironing Junior Felisha Mor
gan enjoys her Teen living class.

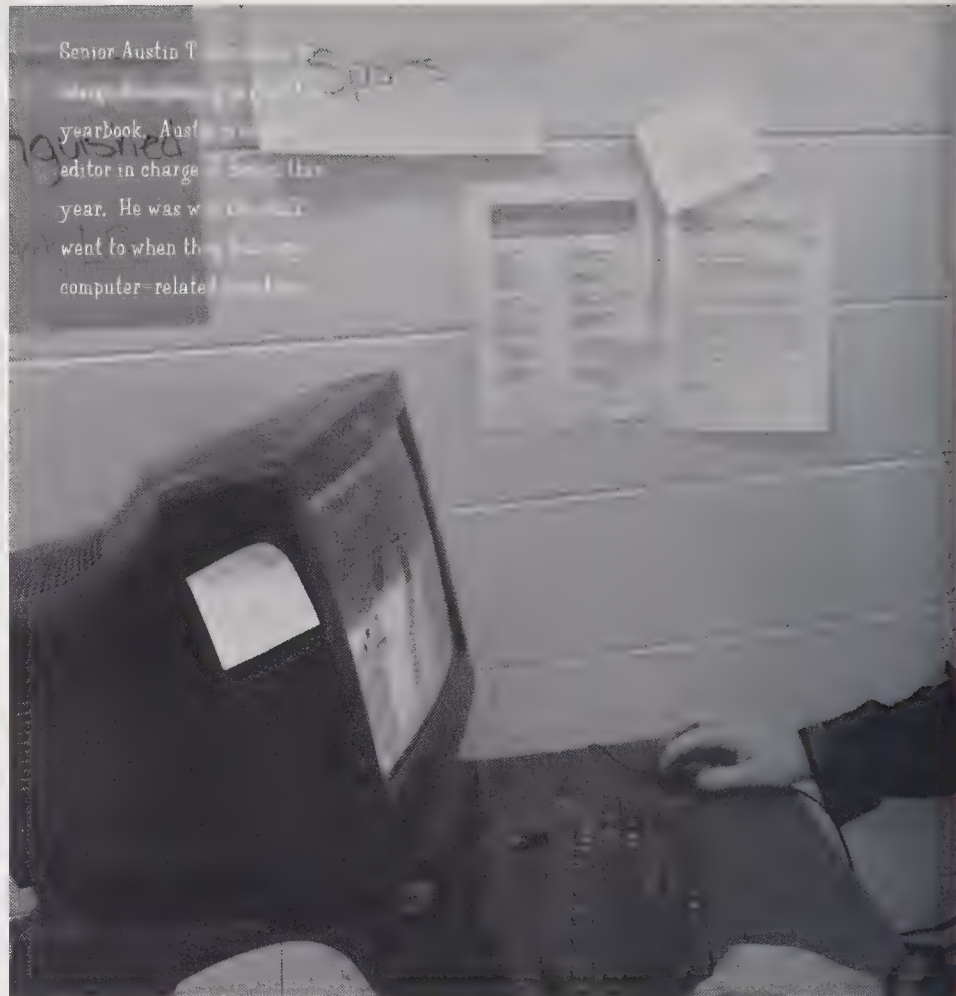


Above: Freshman Daniel
Schuh Drills a hole into
a piece of wood while
styling his goggles.
Left: Junior Cassie
Thompson focuses on her
artwork.





Freshman Gianna Miracle focuses on getting her work done. Gianna was one of the more talented writers in yearbook. She had to get her own interviews for her stories.



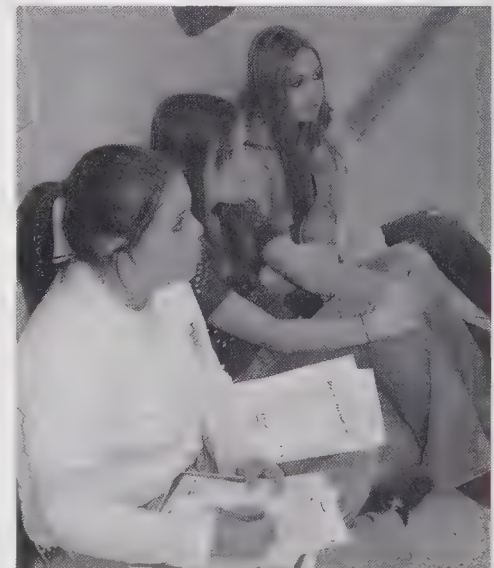
Senior Austin T. was the yearbook, Austin T. editor in charge of the year. He was w went to when th computer-relate



Senior Kyl Labelle focuses on designing a spread in the Distinguished section of the book. This was Kyl's first year on the yearbook staff, although he had been on the newspaper staff in years before.



Sophomore Chelsea Nix helps Freshmen Gianna Miracle and Shelby Roberson to create copy for the yearbook. This was Chelsea's second year on staff, so she had to help the "new kids" whenever possible.



are you most like?

1. When there is a deadline you will be?

- a. doing something on the computer
- b. bossing people around
- c. writing copy

Mostly A's

You're like Austin!

Mostly B's

You're like Corey!

Mostly C's

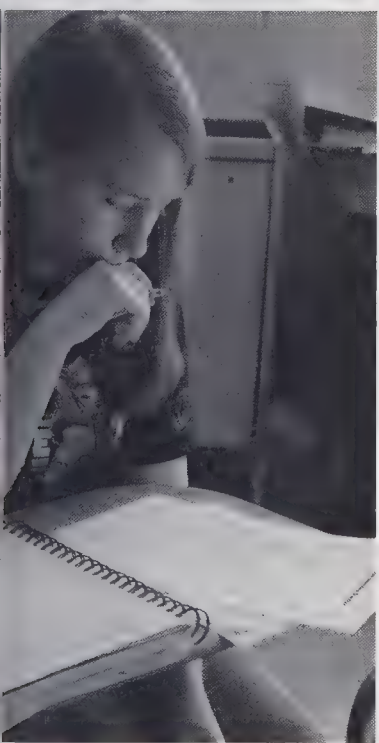
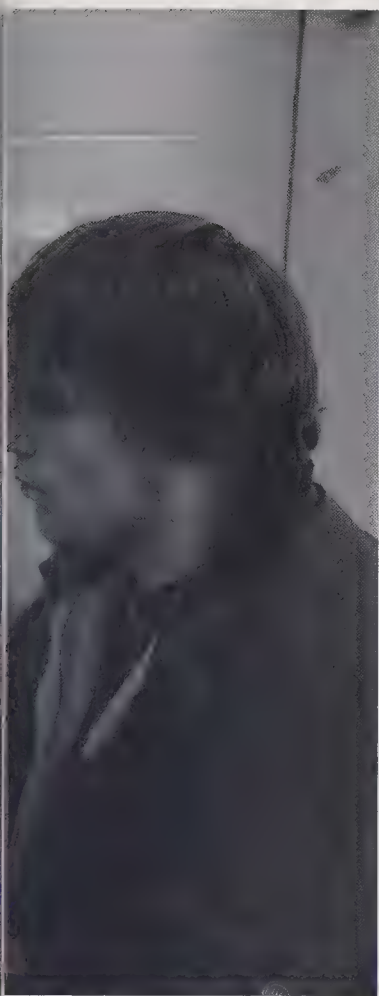
You're like Erin!

2. In your free time you..

- a. play video games
- b. work
- c. chat on the internet

3. You're favorite t.v. show is?

- a. Pimp My Ride
- b. Scrubs
- c. Good Eats



Freshman Brittany Barnwell reads the quotes she received and works on incorporating them in her story. Brittany was one of the many freshmen yearbook received this year.

CREATING

MEMORIES NEWBIES?

The yearbook crew knew how...

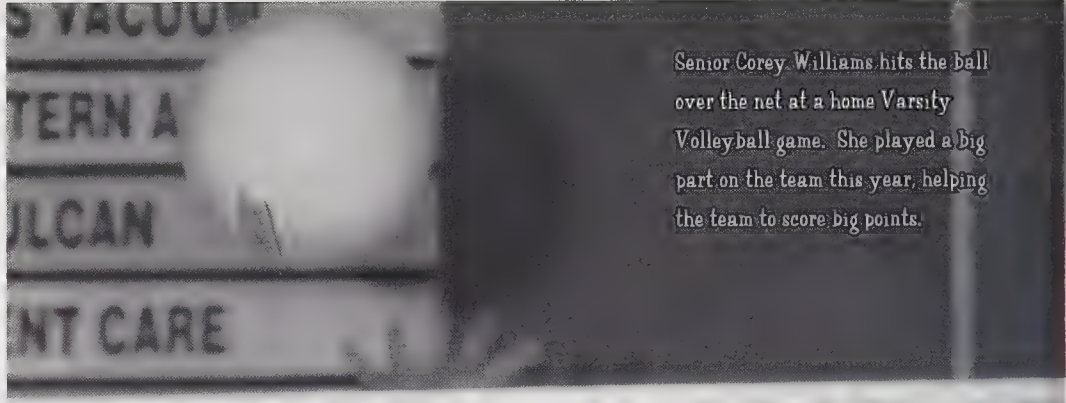
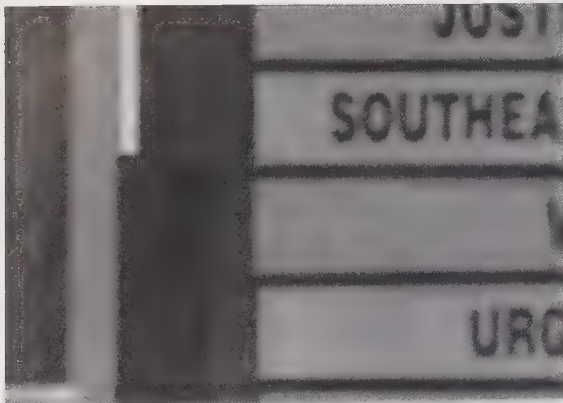
Yearbook began August 25 with many significant changes. A brand new advisor greeted students, many of whom thought they were enrolled in Newspaper. Senior Corey Williams, the incoming Editor in Chief, immediately took over in organizing the class. She had this to say about the hectic beginnings of the class: "At the first of the year we had a lot of things working against us, but we had a great group of people working together to make the yearbook possible and, as Editor, it helps to have people willing to work." Senior Austin Tiller, Design and Technical Editor, immediately set out to prepare the computers for the year, and, commenting on the beginning of the year, said: "It was extremely difficult and challenging." Senior Erin Finsel, Art and Copy Editor, said "With all the new people and as a returning editor, it was important to step up and help get things started." It took some time to work through the changes, but soon students were grouped, assignments were given, and the 2007 edition of The Excalibur was underway.

Yearbook staffers have an unusual but important role to play in the life of North Henderson High School. We are charged with chronicling and recording an entire student body for an entire school year: everything from Chemistry classes to after school jobs are part of the life of this student body.

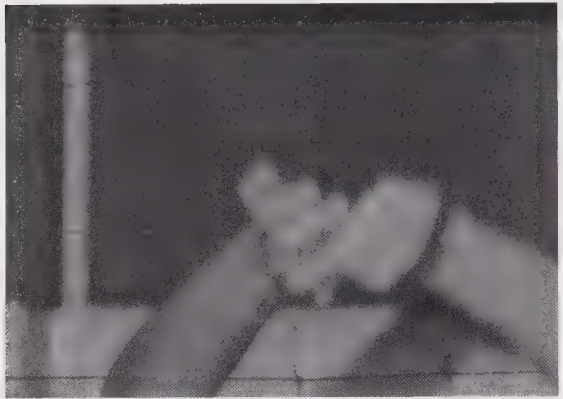
We are diverse and fractured, tracked academically and grouped socially, yet for seven hours a day, 180 days a year, we struggle through these halls, borrow lunch money, help each other with homework: coexist, thrive even because of our diversity. Our yearbook is this year's record of these struggles and triumphs.

Annuals have the ability to record the faces of future presidents, movie stars, Grammy winners, Heisman Trophy candidates. We are creating recorded history: for it is a high school yearbook the media will turn to when they need portraits of famous people before they were famous.

This book will become more valuable as it ages—for as important as it seems this year, in twenty, thirty, even forty years these representations of an important part of our lives will become priceless.



Senior Corey Williams hits the ball over the net at a home Varsity Volleyball game. She played a big part on the team this year, helping the team to score big points.



VICTORIOUS

“It never gets old. There’s always something new to learn.”

(SENIOR HEATHER LORENZ)

Face it... High school is all about sports and victory; it’s a proven fact! Why else would we host so many different teams and have mini “fire drills” in order to cheer our teams on at State? We are very fortunate to have so many different teams ranging from the all American sports like football, basketball, and baseball all the way to swimming, tennis, and golf, and we are victorious in each sport.

Senior Trey Nicholson, Varsity baseball player said, “Baseball is my life. I’ve been playing since I was a little boy. I knew I was good when at my first game, at age 12, I pitched a perfect game with seven innings.” Some students are just born to be stars on the field.

For others, it’s not about showing off their god given talents; it’s for exercise. Senior Daniel Park of the swim team said, “I’m on the swim team to keep my body vicious, while working on fitness and they’re my witness,” while trying to keep to the beat of Fergalicious. Daniel also commented, “I like standing in the water and showing off my toned body to everyone,” an unmistakable macho male comment. All joking aside, Daniel admits that the constant exercise has helped to keep him in shape throughout the year. Other sports, like track and cross-country, are also good for staying healthy.

In several sports we have had some of the excelling teams in state competitions, setting us apart from the rest of our competitors. Sophomore Chelsea Stokes, track runner, said, “[During] my first year on the team, I got to go as an alternate to State. Hanging out with the older girls and watching them compete gave me confidence for the next year.” But there are times when the teams just don’t make the cut. Trey Nicholson said, “When we lose that final game, it just kills me. I mean who would be happy to lose?” While some may not be as dramatic, we can all agree, losing doesn’t make for good feelings.

It’s not always about winning, though. Sometimes, just playing a great game is enough. I feel amazing after meets when my adrenaline’s pumping and my heart’s racing; it’s refreshing! No matter what happens, we are winners, all of North’s teams. The coaches are so confident and the players practice like crazy,” said Daniel. Whether it’s on the track, field, court, or in the pool we know how to step it up! We are victorious!



“It’s not just fun to play- it lets me spend time with friends.”

(SENIOR, COREY WILLIAMS)

The game is over and the Knights just won! There are two different difficulty levels of volleyball; JV and Varsity. Different people have different ways of comparing JV and Varsity volleyball. “I wouldn’t say that [Varsity] is harder because the skills of volleyball take tremendous practice no matter how old you are. It’s just that Varsity is a faster pace,” said Senior Corey Williams.

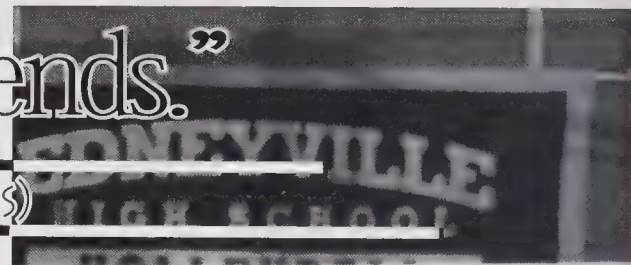
Varsity volleyball may have a faster pace so many players would say that Varsity is much harder than JV. “[Varsity volleyball is] harder because competition is better and practices are more detailed,” said Senior Brittany Vuncannon.

Why did these players choose volleyball instead of another sport? “I just kind of picked volleyball as a hobby, then I loved it,” said Sophomore Brittany Freeman. Some volleyball players chose to play a school sport to get more exercise or as a fun after school activity. Many players practice every chance they get to improve their playing skills and their game.

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8/24	T.C. Roberson
8/29	Hendersonville
8/30	Madison
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9/11	East
9/14	Pisgah
9/19	Smokey Mtn.
9/21	Brevard
9/26	Hendersonville
9/28	West
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10/3	East
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“Our team is really close so we joke around a lot and make fun of each other sometimes,” said Senior Brittany Vuncannon. When heading to practice, Brittany Freeman advises, “Go in with an optimistic attitude.”

While to some, volleyball may seem like just a school sport, to the girls on the team, it is a big part of their lives. It’s just one thing that the players love and might like to continue to do.



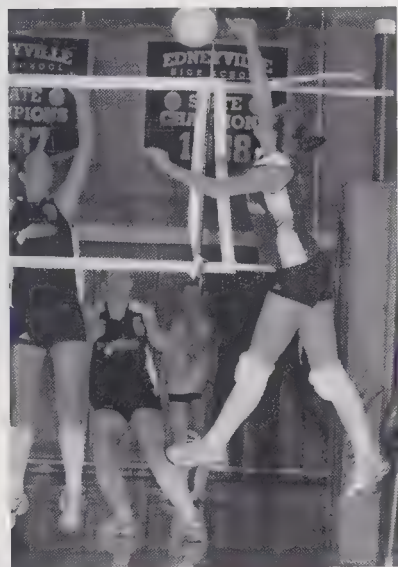
Senior Amber Bradley goes to hit the ball as Senior Corey Williams watches for an opportunity to help.

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Senior Brittany Vuncannon jumps high to spike the ball over the net at the opponent.



Senior Corey Williams stretches herself to hit the ball. The girls had to practice hard to make themselves the best, and Corey was no exception.



Back Row: Breanna Jackson, Kasey Gibbs, Amber Bradley, Bridget Sluder, Coach Peterson, Leah Cagle, Heather Lorenz, Corey Williams, Baily Brow. Front Row: Brittany Freeman, Brittany VunCannon.



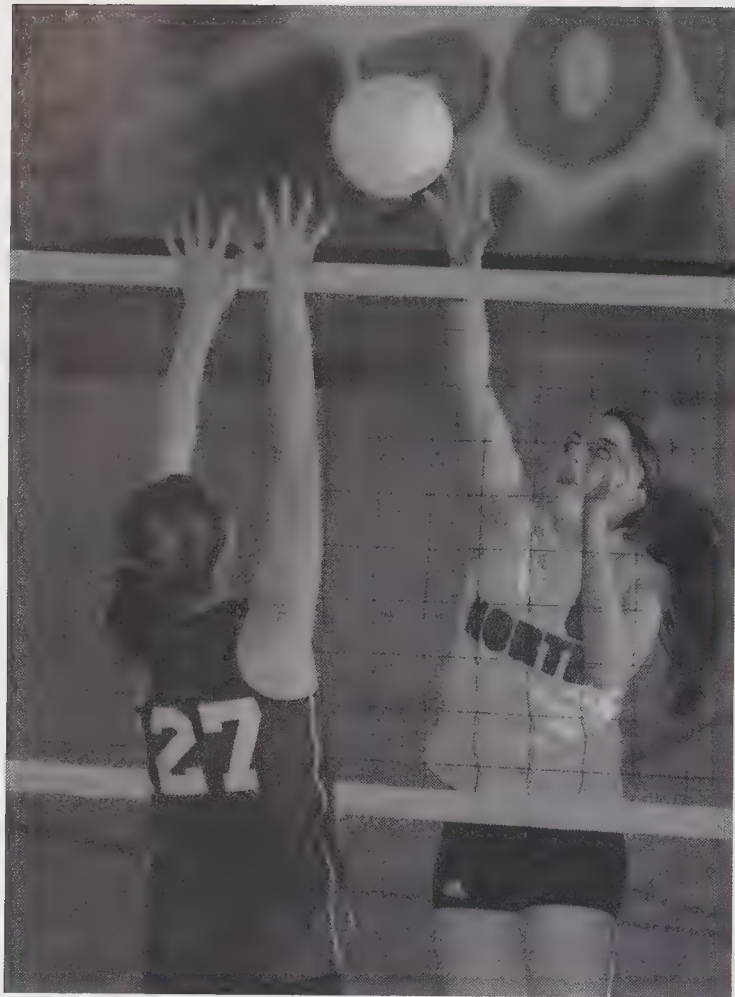
Junior Bailey Brow hits the ball back towards the net.

Left: Reaching as far as she can, Senior Brittany Vuncannon returns the ball back over the net.

Right: Senior Amber Bradley practices hitting the ball over the net before a big game.



The team takes a moment before the game to huddle together and wish each other luck. This little pow-wow was the girls' way of getting focused on the game they are about to play.



Left: Freshman Amanda Lyda hits the ball over the net for the point.

Right: The girls encourage each other with a huddle before starting the game.

Below: Sophomore Sierra Wright spikes the ball as Sophomores Katie Bradley and Laura Reddin watch for their opportunity to help.



Right: Sophomore Sierra Wright serves the ball to the opposing team.

Below: Sophomore Laura Redden dives for the ball to keep it from hitting the ground.



Left: Sophomore Kelsey Sabo goes up for the serve and hopes for the best.

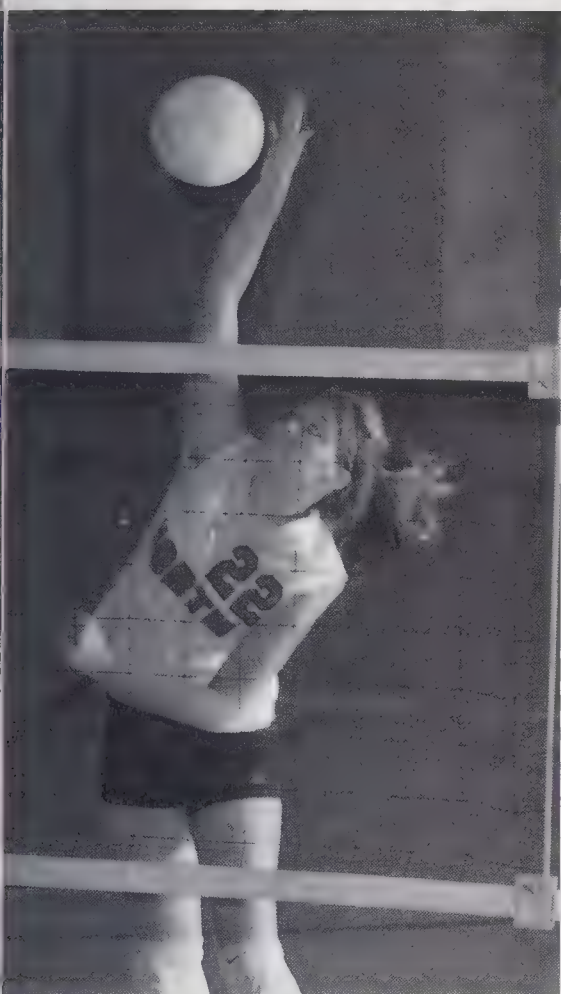
Back Row: Ashley Sims, Kelsey McMurray, Katie Bradley, Sierra Wright, Amanda Lyda, Coach Pielock, Lindsay Corn, Chelsea Wilkie, Lauren Ballard, Kelsey Sabo, Natalie Cannon, Crystal Gilbert. Front Row: Danielle Nix, Laura Redden.

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“I always look forward to coming to practice.”

(FRESHMAN CHELSEA WILKIE)



JV volleyball is much different from Varsity volleyball. Many of the players on JV have been playing since middle school, and they want to make it to Varsity. There are ways the girls think that their warmups and practices need to be changed to help them get pumped for their games. “[We need to] run more to get warmed up because we don’t run before games,” Freshman Chelsea Wilkie said.

All the players have a certain style of practice that they prefer. To make practices more enjoyable, they think that they should do more of their favorite warm-ups. Sophomore Kelsey Sabo said, “[We should do] more scrimmaging [to make practices more fun].” Freshman Natalie Cannon and Sophomore Sierra Wright both agree that running at practices is not fun. Most players will do anything to make their warm-ups and practices more interesting.

“[The difference between JV and Varsity volleyball is that] we do more fun drills and they do more skill building,” said Chelsea. It’s true that Varsity works more on skill building, but those on JV are making sure that they perfect the basics in their practices. As the girls begin to develop their skills, they are able to get a feel for the game.

The more the girls work on their skills, the better they get, and the better they will play in games. They will win more games and feel better about their gaming experience. Hopefully it will encourage them enough to want to practice more to win more games to make their team the best they possibly can.

Perhaps one day the girls will remember their basic training as they spike hard on the Varsity team. But

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for now, they will practice and play hard. Playing a team sport is not just all about winning, but having fun while playing the other team. If the girls remember that, maybe they will win games while doing their best and having fun.





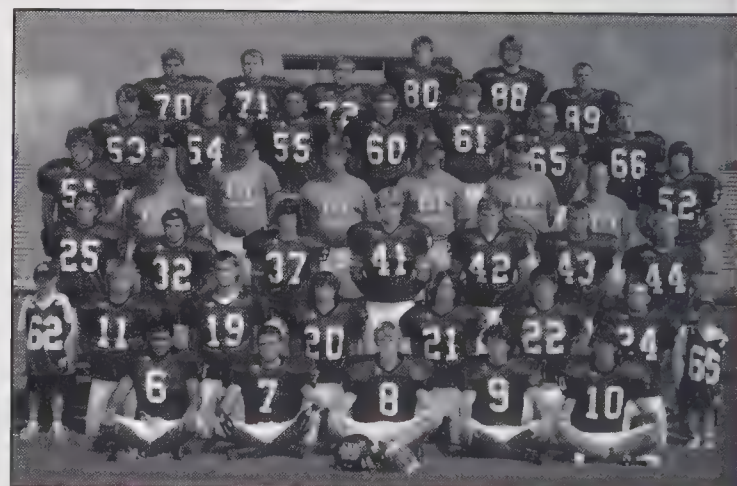
Left: Junior Josh Goldstein takes a play off to work out a cramp with athletic trainer Ms. White.
Right: Full of excitement, the team breaks through the banner at the big game.



Junior Canaan Cox finds a whole through the Bearcat defense to work his way upfield for another first down.



Coach Howard and Junior Chris Vanlandingham discuss the last play of the series. Chris gathers his thoughts for the upcoming offensive downs.



VICTORIOUS

“Coach expected a lot of us to step up this year.”

(JUNIOR JOSH GOLDSTEIN)



Football. It has become a staple in American high schools, with the lights, the sounds, and the smells of a football stadium on a Friday night. Players, parents, coaches, and students would all swear by a high school football season; especially a varsity season.

Varsity football is a huge part of the fall high school experience. Football also helps out the rest of the school with finances. “Football is the school’s money train. It brings in enough money to help support the school,” said Coach Coren “A successful season also generates more money due to the fact that the more you win, the more people come to see you play.” Nearly every student attends at least one varsity football game before the time they graduate. A varsity season is a very important thing to very many people.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>
8/10	Enka
8/12	Walhalla Jamboree
8/18	Polk Central
8/25	Hendersonville
9/1	Highland Tech
9/8	Erwin
9/15	Rosman
9/29	Chase
10/6	East Henderson
10/13	Pisgah
10/20	Smokey Mtn.
10/27	Brevard
11/3	West Henderson

Varsity players take every game just as serious as any other. “I never even noticed the crowd during our games” Junior Kendall Edwards commented. “I didn’t notice them until after we played our hearts out on the field and the game was over.”

Every varsity player lived and breathed football until their season was well over. Rightfully so, seeing how colleges and their future could depend on their performance. “Once you walk out there underneath the Friday night lights, nothing else matters,” Senior Tyler Walker said. Varsity football also goes hand in hand with school spirit. Usually when a student thinks of major school spirit they think of a varsity football game.

Whether you are a football fan or not, it must be agreed that varsity football is a major sport in every high school experience.



Above: Senior Andrew Kimbro breaks a Trojan tackle during the Homecoming game. Andrew was a leading rusher in that game.

Right: Senior Tyler Walker, with much excitement, cheers on his team from the sidelines.

Top: Patrick Garren, Joey Walter, Brad Gass, Travis Brown, Michael Doll, Sterling Ducker. Second Row: Michael Lolly, Kendal Edwards, Deshaun Waters, Ethan Stepp, Josh Drake, Trevor Williams, Alex Prude. Third Row: Jared Anderson, Coach Sprinkle, Coach Coren, Coach Howard, Coach Manual, Coach Loving, Ms. White, Carson Rhodes. Fourth Row: Dustin Miller, Andrew Kimbro, Tyler Spangler, Josh Goldstein, Canaan Cox, Kalem Lewis, Caleb Moore. Fifth Row: Kenneth Brandt, Tyler Walker, Brad Buckner, Mike Carpenter, Bryan Lamb, Miles Cassida. Front Row: Justin Moore, J.J. Johnson, Chris Vanlandingham, Jared Harris, Caleb Bryan



Far Left: Team captains walk out onto the field to receive the coin toss.

Left: Sophomore Dequan Landrum receives the handoff and takes the ball upfield to gain yardage.

Right: Sophomore Enrigue Sandabar rushes by the Pisgah defenders.



Above: Sophomore Dequan Landrum pulls away from the Pisgah defense to score another touchdown for the team.

Right: Sophomores Eddie Riggins and Jordan West team up to make a tackle.

Below: Lining up for the play, the Knights prepare themselves for the upcoming "battle in the trenches."



“I felt we came together as a team this year.”

(SOPHOMORE J.C. BRITT)



Imagine long practices with the hot sun glaring down on your neck, imagine lifting weights until your muscles scream in pain, and imagine coaches yelling at you to play better while bulky pads keep you from reacting as quickly as you are normally capable of...

Every year JV Football members go through variations of this physical torture and more. Torture may be an appropriate word for those of us who don't have a love for the game of football, but, for football players, the game is their life and every second of pain is worth the reward.

Practices consist of anything from scrimmaging defense and offense to plays and team building exercises, but football requires running, hitting, hard work, and a lot of sweat. Many teammates on North's JV Football team of the 2006 season believed the team's weakness was a lack of teamwork "as a team, we didn't work together," said Freshman Joey Maciel. Freshman Nick Trapp said that "arguing" was one of the major weaknesses during the football season. It kept the team from bonding and playing to their full potential. Their strengths were blocking and confidence. Nick said that the team's confidence was the highest when they won against Hendersonville. "It [had] been a while since we beat them," he said.

Every player that steps on the field on game night comes from different places in life. Some are the honor roll students that everyone envies; others are the athletes just trying to stay out of trouble. Football is a rough sport, only for the toughest. After all, as the former CBS Sports commentator Heywood Hale Brown once said, "Football is, after all, a wonderful way to get rid of your aggressions without going to jail for it."

Many people think playing on a field with a big crowd of fans is intimidating. In reality, it is like any other sport. "You think nothing about the crowd; you get into the game," said Sophomore Chris Ellis. Concentration on football keeps many players' heads in the game and reduces the possibility of distraction. Others, like Sophomore Major Duckett, love when there are big crowds. Many people feed off of big crowds wanting to pull out a win for their fans.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
8/10	Enka
8/24	Hendersonville
8/31	Enka
9/7	Erwin
9/14	Smoky Mtn.
9/28	Chase
10/5	East Henderson
10/12	Pisgah
10/19	Polk Central
10/26	Brevard
11/2	West Henderson

Top Row: Chris Ellis, Johnny Hill, Nate Mackmahan, Ben Rollins, Teddy Webb, Joey Maciel. Second Row: Major Duckett, Kane Edney, Chris Heim, J.C. Britt, Chris Higman, Trevor Allen, Cherokee Ducker, Justin Shipman. Third Row: Chris Hickman, Ryan Brackett, Coach Hilliard, Coach Duncan, Coach Evans, Eddie Riggins, Enrique Sandabar. Fourth Row: Wade Hensley, Race Lamb, Jordan West, Chris Carmack, Dequan Landrum, Cody Harwood. Bottom Row: Christian Rizzo, Brandon West, Colton Pittillo, Marquise Grey, Daton Hartwell.

"I enjoy soccer because of my teammates!"

(JUNIOR, MYKLE WUTTKE)

Students who love to run, kick, and feel the refreshing wind hit their faces join the Varsity Soccer team. Many boys who joined the team were inspired by the games they used to play in gym class. To become a part of the Varsity Soccer team, they must enjoy the game of soccer.

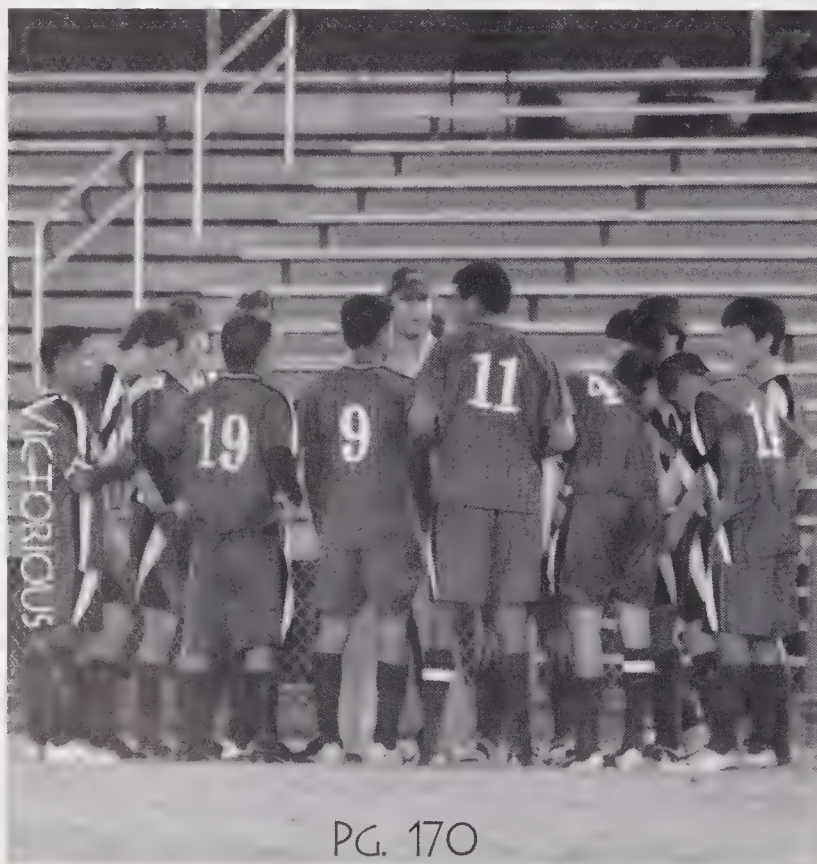
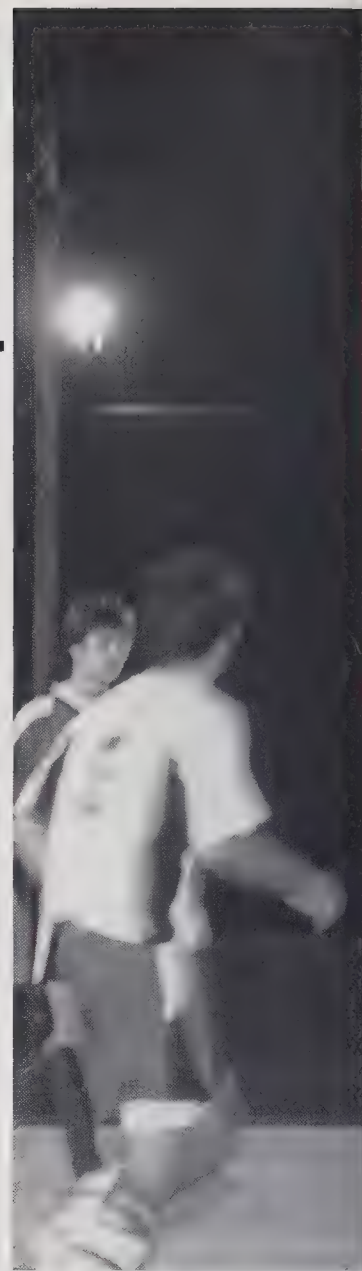
The soccer team had an average season. Some people think it was a good season while others think the team could have done better than they did. "[We had] an alright season. We did good on some games and bad on others but, overall, I thought it was good," said Junior Dan Robinson.

All team members must put full effort into the team in order to be victorious, but not everyone puts in one hundred percent. "90% of the team did," said Senior Jordan Garmon. "If they did we would have done much better," added Sophomore Josh Cawthorn.

Many of the team members keep the fond memories of the season in their heads because they think they're hilarious. "One time I kicked [Senior] George McKee in the face with the soccer ball and he cried," said Jordan. Other have different memories of when they scored the best goal of their life. "[I loved it] when I scored the winning goal at last," said Josh.

But in the end, the boys had a great time on the team. As a team, they had to overcome minor issues in order to have a successful season. "I really didn't dislike anything but we really didn't win enough throughout the season," said Josh. Still, being on the Varsity Soccer team proved to be a rewarding way to spend time after school.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>
8/23	Mtn. Heritage
8/24	Owen
8/28	East Rutherford
8/30	Madison
8/31	Asheville Christian
9/6	Hendersonville
9/13	Avery
9/14	McDowell
9/20	East Rutherford
9/21	Madison
9/25	East Henderson
9/27	Pisgah
9/28	Owen
10/2	Smoky Mtn.
10/4	Brevard
10/5	Erwin
10/9	West
10/11	East
10/16	Pisgah
10/18	Smoky Mtn.
10/19	Hendersonville
10/23	Brevard
10/25	West



Left: In a huddle, the boys hear a speech from their coach to get motivated. Above: The team lines up on the side of the field, mentally preparing for the game they are about to play.

Back Row: Coach Hart, Ismel Cerezo, Sean, Jordan Garmon, Cory Johnson, Coach King.
Second Row: Alvaro Diaz, Scott Lindsay, Daniel Park, Mykle Wuttke, Michael Spellicy, Ben Baxley, Josh Cawthorn.
First Row: Dan Robinson, Angel Rodriguez, Victor Loranzo, Chandler Taylor, Luis Obispo, George McKee.

WHAT Numbers?

The number of
practices a week

5

How many years
Angel has played

3

How many goals
Angel scored

2

George McKee's
jersey number

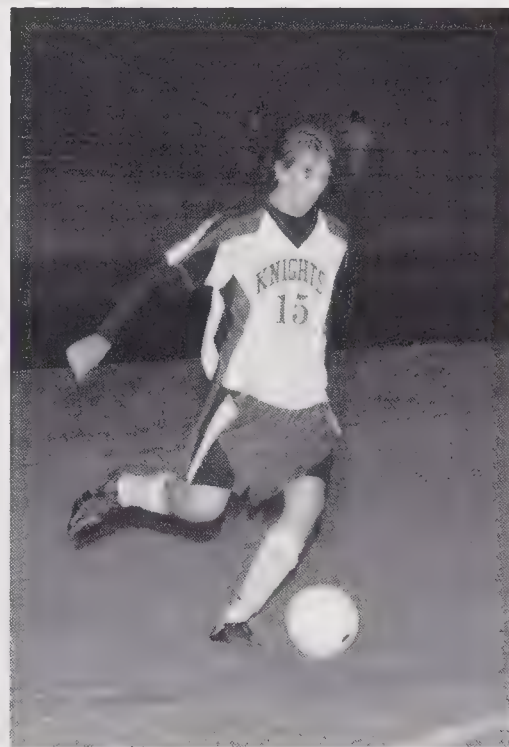
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How many times
Mykle kicked some-
one else

2

How much money
the team spent on
uniforms

70



Working through the pain of a long soccer game Junior Corey Johnson dribbles the ball away from the other team.

Left: Senior George McKee takes to the air to stop a ball and begins to drive it back to the opposing goal.

VARSITY SOCCER

WHO IS

Sam Julien?

He once shaved his arms for a dare in wrestling. He likes any good food, specifically BBQ and American cheese. He listens to 93.3 when he's on the radio. He enjoys wearing his Converse shoes. He wants kids, but wants to dress up like a giant gorilla just to scare them.



"I'm looking forward to next season."

Eight: Dribbling the ball. Sophomore Steven Wallace gets ready to pass it to another teammate.



Below: About to kick the ball away from the other team. Freshman Jose Moreno looks to see if he can pass it to another teammate.



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Freshmen Jose Gonzales and Pedro Perez struggle to take the ball from the other team's players.



Back Row: Coach King, Zacy Bryan, Stephen Wallace, Sam Julien, Jose Quebrado Second Row: Noel Delgado, Matt Lancaster, Chris Gonzales, Andrew Frentress, Johnny Patino, Jose Moreno First Row: Enrique Vera, Pedro Perez, Jose Gonzales, Eric Martinez, Andrew Campbell



"We try our best at everything we do, but mostly soccer."

(FRESHMAN, JOSE GONZALES)

Date

Opponent

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"JV was just like being on Varsity," said Freshman Matt Lancaster, first year JV Soccer player. There were ups and downs, things the teammates liked and disliked about the team, but there were some great memories acquired. The guys just enjoyed hanging out and having a great time with their friends and people that enjoyed the same hobby. There were a lot of unique people that made the whole soccer team awesome.

Team members usually get very excited when they score a point for their team. "Andrew Cambell scored his first goal and took his shirt off and went running around the field" said Sophomore Sam Julian. There were a lot of crazy and fun guys that made the team special. Like all sports teams, these boys had their rivals. "[I remember] trying to fight with the other teams," said Freshman Johnny Patino. Soccer is an extremely intense sport, full of danger, excitement and

injuries.

It is always better to laugh at practice instead of complain. The boys seemed to always laugh it out even if the coach could get a little mad sometimes. "I made the practices fun by making jokes" said Sophomore Steven Wallace. At away games, the boys had to wait on the Varsity games to end for the ride home, so they had time to get to know each other better. "After a game was over we would just hang out and wait for the varsity games to be over," said Freshman Jose Gonzales. "I was team captain and it was great experience."

Even though the boys weren't on Varsity, they didn't seem to mind. "The Junior Varsity team was good and fun because I like to play soccer," said Freshman Zack Bryan. Hopefully, all the boys will eventually make their way to Varsity. It just takes time and, obviously, a lot of skill to make the team with such heavy competition. But for now the boys don't care what team they are on just as long as they are playing the game they love... soccer!

The team gathers with Coach King to talk before starting the big game.

Working together, Sophomore Sam Julian and Freshman Jose Gonzales fight to get the ball.

JV SOCCER

“Mind over body....Nothing can stop me.....”

(FRESHMAN, GIANNA MIRACLE)

This sport is another sport's punishment. Yes, we're talking about Cross Country. Most Cross Country practices consist of running for up to seventy minutes, running hills for

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	an hour, or even doing five repeat miles as fast as possible.
8/31	West Henderson	Although Cross Country is a hard sport, most of the team
9/7	North Buncombe	members chose to make it fun. "In practices we had fun acting
9/14	Home	like retards and making weird noises. The best was when we
9/21	Owen	wore our aviator sun glasses while playing our kazoos," said
9/28	Asheville	Sophomore Everett Hardin.
10/7	Charlotte	Cross Country is a very competitive sport. There is
10/11	Newton Conover	anywhere from six to thirty teams at every meet. "At meets,
10/14	Winston Salem	the most nerve racking part is
11/4	Winston Salem	definitely being at the starting

line waiting for the gun to go off because you get to see all your competition and it is always so crowded for the first little bit of the race" said Freshman Gianna Miracle. Most people would agree with Gianna, the most nerve racking part of any sport is the starting or the beginning because they are up against new competition and are usually in a new setting.

Many find that Cross Country is more of a competition within themselves than a competition with others. When in a running sport, people have to believe that they can get faster and improve their time or else it won't happen. Some people also believe that running is more mental than physical. "When running, you've got to push through the pain. The pain is in your head, not your legs," said Sophomore Sarah Willingham.

The girls' Cross Country team won Conference and Regionals and placed third in State. "It was really exciting because we were working so hard and it was a great way to end my senior year of Cross Country," said Senior Christina Storm. They had to travel to Winston Salem, Newton Conover, and Charlotte. Sophomore Lauren Hunt said, "Cross Country was a great way to make friends from another grade level." There was a lot of time for the Cross Country team to get to know their team mates because of the long bus rides they had to go through.

Above: Concentrating on getting ahead of the person in front of her, Sophomore Felicia Carlisle tries to keep her mind off the pain. Right: Competing at the top of the race, Junior Jessica Stewart tries to keep up with the runners in front. Below: Sophomore twins Ethan and Everette Hardin battle it out to see which one places higher.





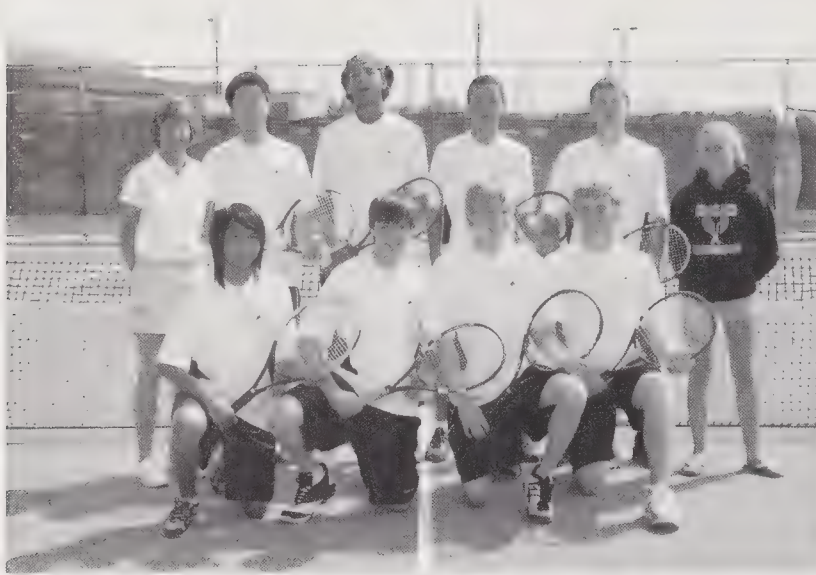
Above: Starting off, the boys get in a good stance so they don't get left behind in the beginning of the race. Left: Accepting their medals, Sophomore Sarah Willingham and Junior Jessica Stewart take home the 1st and 2nd place. Far Left: Crossing the finish line at our home meet, Freshman Erica Almonza runs a good race.



Above: Starting off at one of our home meets, the team has four runners in a row taking the lead. Left: Striding to keep his place Junior Chad West reminds himself he only has a little more to go. Right: Keeping her pace Senior Christina Storm moves further up in the race.



CROSS COUNTRY



Back Row: Coach Anderson, Daniel Park, Jordan Garmon, Steven Wallace, Micheal Lyda, Amber Owen. Front Row: Daniel Van, Vince Kunthe, Dexter Blackwell, Luke Bradley.

Below: Senior Daniel Park Rears back his Racket, ready to send the ball back at the server.



Left: Senior Steven Wallace awaits the ball ready to return it.



Above: Junior Luke Bradley Holds his racket ready.

Right: Ms. Anderson gathers the team around her to get them revved up for the match.



"Love is very bad in tennis."

(FRESHMAN DANIEL VANN)

Many people may view tennis as a "rich" sport, one played by the elite students. But this is very untrue. Tennis is played by many different varieties of students.

Senior Daniel Park said, "I like to play tennis with my friends and family. Whenever I go up north to visit my Korean peoples, we go crazy." It's one of those games that can be played just to pass the time. There's nothing like smacking a ball back at someone with force.

Freshman Daniel Vann said, "Practices can be really funny. Once I hit Daniel Park in the face and he almost hit me back." Daniel Park concluded this statement by replying, "Yah... it was funny. But you have to watch out. If you hit the coach, you have to run lines. And that makes me feel like horrible afterwards."

While some students may like to play at their own home with family, or at the school court, Daniel Park said jokingly, "I like to play in outterspace. The no gravity thing is amazing. I go every once in awhile and use my handy dandy car, but without gas stations... it's a rough trip." Seriously though, Daniel Vann said, "I enjoy playing at Jackson Park because I am familiar with the scenery and court."

And what better way to compliment our guys tennis team, than our girls team. With outstanding players such as Sophomore Amber Owen and Junior Sydney Lyda, it's no wonder why they had such a successful year. These girls love to play tennis. "It's very intense at some points. the coach is the best ever and nobody could take her place," commented Amber Owen.

Whether it's for fun on the court with family, or competing against rival schools for the prize, our tennis team is a step above the rest.

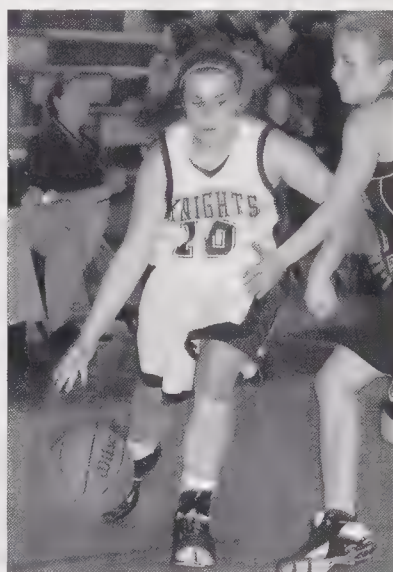
TENNIS

Left: Seniors Micheal
Lyda and Jordan
Barmon take charge on
the court.

Below: Junior Dexter
Blackwell Swings his racket
low to hit the ball.



(Far Right) Outworking her opponents Junior Bailey Brow dribbles the ball to the goal. (Immediate Right) Cutting through the defense Junior Morgan McKmin finds a hole and makes for the goal. Top Row: Coach Whitmire, Morgan McMinn, Jessica Hartley, Coach Rhodes. Middle Row: Lucretia Logan, Sierra Wright, Sidney Lyda, Bailey Brow. Bottom Row: Kasey Gibbs, Heather O'Connor, Lauren Benson



(Above) Getting past the defender Junior Bailey Brow looks for a teammate to pass the ball to. (Right) Getting some air, Junior Morgan McKmin 'gets up' to make a lay-up.

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11/21	Hendersonville Christian
11/28	Hendersonville
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12/15	Veritas Academy
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2/12-16	Conference Tournament Play-Offs

VICTORIOUS



“We were a young team this year, but we’ll dominate next year!”

(JUNIOR, KASEY GIBBS)

First start off with a group of girls, blend in some talent, and add a coach to the mixture. Then, throw in a couple of balls and some matching jerseys and you’ve got yourself a girls’ basketball team.

A lot of hard work and determination is what it took for the Varsity girls’ basketball team to be successful. Certain key players had to step up and assume the roles of leaders. “I’ve had to take over the point-guard position on the team which, in a way, naturally made me a leader,” said Sophomore Sydney Lyda. “I started playing when I was in the third grade because my friends played, and I never really stopped. I knew a lot about the game so it was easy for me to help others,” commented Sydney, one of the many leaders on the team.

Another important aspect that contributed to the teams success was the bonding of all the team members. One of the hardest tasks to ask a team to do is to actually play as a team. “The entire team has become very close this year, a lot closer than last years’ team,” commented Junior Bailey Brow. The team became closer by doing things such as eating together and car-pooling to most of the games.” By spending extra time together outside of practice, the girls were able to bond off the court as well as on.

Junior Morgan McMinn played her part on the team by taking charge as a leader, working hard during practice, and simply talking to her teammates to build friendships and confidence. Whether it be the 22 points she averages a game, or the inspirational drive she spreads among the team, she was definitely an important asset to the team. “I verbally committed myself to Clemson after they spotted me playing with my “AAU” team. I definately plan to persue my career in basketball outside of high school,” said Morgan.

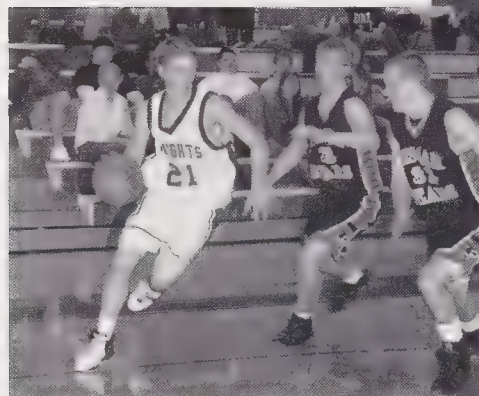
The Varsity team displayed unbreakable bonds on and off the court, strong leadership prevailed, and the teams’ talent grew throughout the year. We’re all very anxious to see what the team can do next year with all of the five starters returning.

Senior Tyler Walker dribbles past a defender and drives to the goal in hopes of scoring another two for the team.

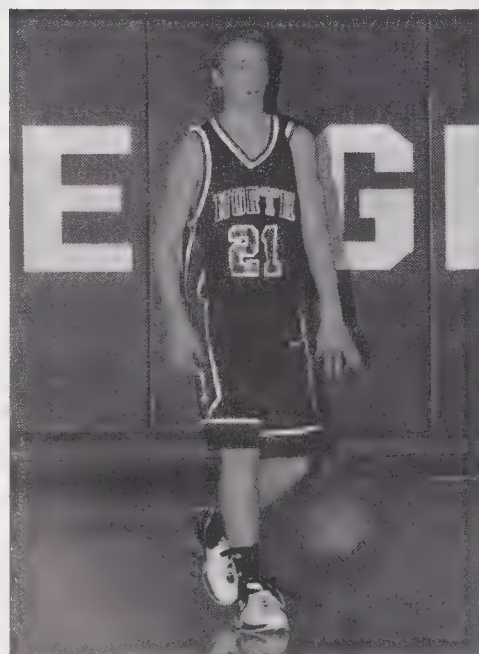
Senior Dakota Benson works hard to try and help his team win. Dakota was a major player on the team this year.



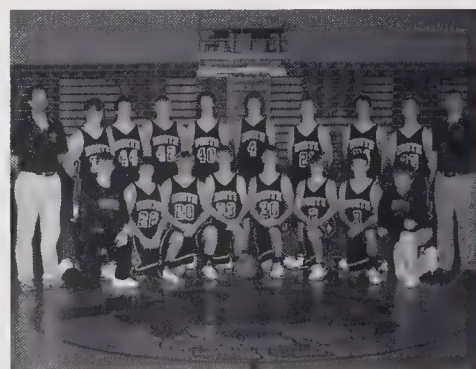
Right: Senior Carson Rhodes goes up for a jump shot hoping to extend his team's lead over the opposition. Below: Junior Chris Vanlandingham tries to break the double team.



Sophomore Jordan Brunell dribbles the ball down the court to his basket.



Top Row: Coach Taylor, Micheal Lolley, Carson Rhodes, Josh Drake, Page Crawford, Dakota Benson, Chris Vanlandingham, Ethan Pressley, Tyler Walker, Coach Coren. Bottom row: Josh Engeron, Brad Buckner, Kenneth Brandt, Patrick Singletary, Zach Conard, Jordan Brunell, Micheal Lyda, Bradley Ray



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VICTORIOUS

“It was exciting winning a playoff game!”

(JUNIOR CHRIS VANLANDINGHAM)



Senior Dakota Benson tries his hardest to score another basket for his team. Dakota knew the importance of increasing their lead.

The score's 49-52, we're trailing. With 30 seconds left Junior Chris Vanlandingham dribbles down the court and pulls up for a three. Swish! The scores now tied 52-52 with twenty-two seconds left. Smokey Mountain now dribbles down the court and pulls up for a shot that bounces off the back rim into Chris' hands. With sixteen seconds left Chris takes the ball to the top of the key where he dishes it out to the corner for a three. We miss, but with two seconds left Junior Ethan Pressley quickly gets the rebound and puts it back up as the buzzer sounds. We win 54-52. "Smokey Mountain was definitely my favorite games this year. It was intense the entire game and we beat them with a buzzer shot just like they did to us the first time," said Sophomore Jordan Brunell. Jordan was a big part of that win scoring 10 points and causing many turnovers on defense.

There were many heart-throbbing games similar to the Smokey Mountain one. Games against Brevard and Owen were always intense. The scores of those games were always close, but, because of our players stepping up, we were able to come up with the wins. "I play hard all the time and I try to play extra hard defense when we get into tight situations like close games," said Senior Tyler Walker. Tyler, as well as others on the team, stepped up so often they were able to profit the team. That's especially hard to do when working with a new head coach, but they did it very well.

On top of having a great coach and a group of outstanding athletes who gave it their all, the team also had Western North Carolina's top leading scorer, Junior Chris Vanlandingham. He averaged 25 points, seven rebounds, four assists, and three steals a game. "I've taken the role as the team leader; a lot of duties to help the team fell on me. I tried to use my knowledge of the game to help some of the inexperienced kids on the team," said Chris. Not only was Chris ranked first in WNC, but he was also ranked second in the state. Chris is definitely what kids today would call a "Baller."

We're all eager to see what the team can do next year with a little bit more experienced coach, and some hard working athletes coming back.

The talents of our JV basketball teams are obvious when you watch them play in their games. It has some to do with what they enjoy most about basketball. "The competition and intensity of the game," said Sophomore Brittany Ramsey "is what I enjoy most about basketball." The intensity feeds off of the competition. The more competitive the players are the more intense the game is.

"I enjoy playing basketball as a team," said Freshman Jeremiah Bagwell who has played for two years. Many players would agree that the most important part of basketball is probably playing as a team, and that it is important for them to communicate when on the floor.

There are many reasons why people start playing basketball. "Some of my friends at my old school talked me into trying out. I guess you could say that they inspired me to play basketball," said Brittany. Many have had older brothers, sisters, or parents that have played. "My mom, dad, and older brother played basketball," said Sophomore Travis Brown. Travis felt like he needed to carry on the family tradition. "My friends told me that I should tryout because I am tall," said Freshman Amanda Lyda. From friends to parents to just wanting to play basketball, reasons for joining the JV teams vary.

Many JV basketball players hope one day to play on the college teams. "I hope to go to Carolina or The University of Florida and play," said Jeremiah. "NC State is where I want to play basketball at," said Travis. The players know it will take lots of hard work and dedication. Though the JV players have a long way to go to get to the college level, but plenty of time and practice will help them improve their skills. Others haven't decided yet if they want to play in college, and a few said that it ends after high school.



"We've had the best J.V. girls
record in a while."

(SOPHOMORE ERICA WULLENWEBER)

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(Right) Sophomore Christian Gosnell barrels towards the goal with the ball in hand.
(Down) Sophomores Brandon Pruitt, and Justin Lanning run up the court ready to help make a basket.

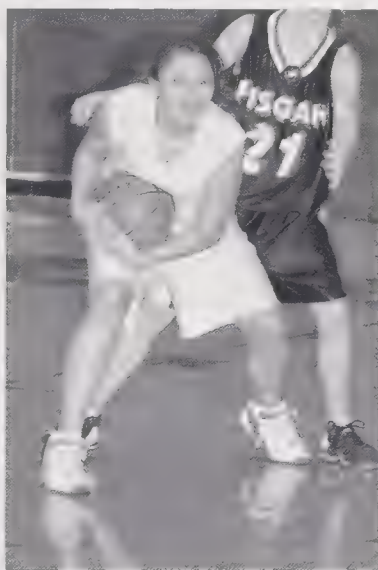


Top Row: Mark Lytle, Kevin Searcy, Travis Brown, Coach Evans. Middle Row: Josh Brown, Major Duckett, Justin Norton, Ryan Brackett, Justin Lanning. Bottom Row: Jeremiah Bagwell, Rayce Lamb, Chris Gordner, Matt Lancaster

(below) Margarita Orr keeps the ball safe, looking for someone to pass to.



(Above) Sophomore Racye Lamb Leaps for a lay up.



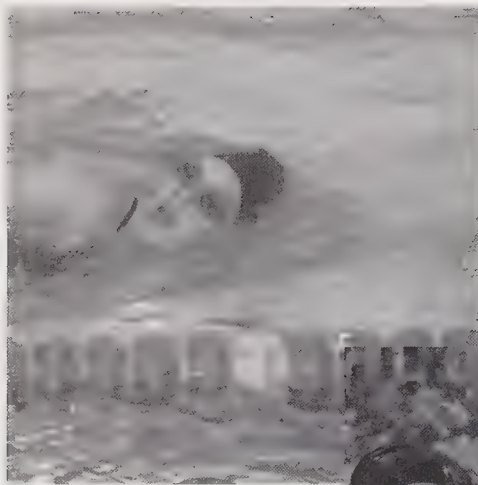
(Below) Sophomore Kevin Searcy shoots the ball, GOAL!

(Left) Sophomore Brittany Ramsey whirls around to hand the ball off to one of her teammates.

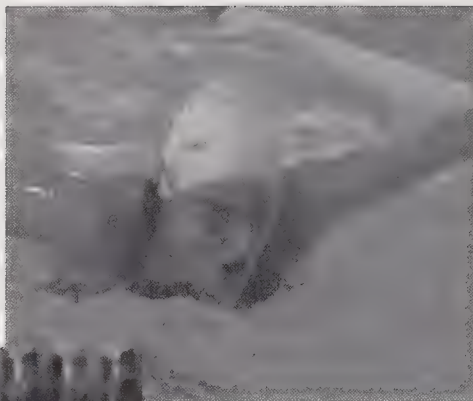


Top Row: Coach Coren, Anne Traister, Amanda Lyda, Erica Wullenwebber, Margarita Orr, Coach Perkins. Middle Row: Kristen Swann, Taylor Perkins, Jordan Patton, Jessica Coon, Holly Babbitt. Bottom Row: Christian Gosnell, Amber Godin, Brittany Ramsey, Chelsey Stokes

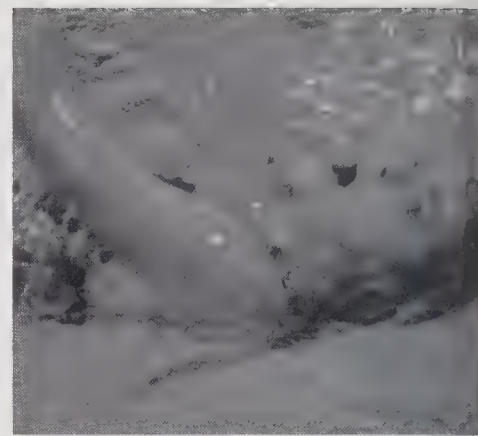
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Above: Sophomore Megan McCraw tries to catch her breath while in a race.



Above: Freshman Terri Toro swims the fastest in the butterfly.



Above: Freshman Alexis Lively swims the backstroke.



Left: Freshman Nathaly Comez swims in the freestyle.

Below: Senior Daniel Park races to the end.



Junior Mattie Drake waits by the side of the pool, waiting for the race to start.



Right: Junior Dexter Blackwell swims like a fish.



Top Row: Coach Peterson, Montana Pate, Daniel Park, Liz Youngblood, Dmitriy Demchuck, Halie Guthrie. 2nd Row: Alexis Lively, Jamie Stanley, Amy Lancaster, Megan Wood. 3rd Row: Jordan Penley, Cory Carlisle, Megan McCraw, Sophia Gomez, Kasey Minnick. Bottom Row: Mattie Drake, Morgan Minnick, Dexter Blackwell, Nathaly Gomez.



VICTORIOUS

“Swimming makes me feel free.”

(JUNIOR MATTIE DRAKE)

Swimming may seem like a summer hobby, a way to past the time and beat the heat. But swimming is also an extremely competitive sport, one that takes diligence, determination, concentration, and strength.

Members of the swim team had to overcome many tedious practices to be ready and fit for meets. Practices were normally held at the YMCA between eight and nine thirty at night, an hour that most teens wouldn't be willing to give up fun for. Senior Megan Wood said, “Practices weren't fun till the end of the season. It was a lot of hard work, but looking back I see what I accomplished.”

Freshman Teri Toro commented, “Practices were a little easier because of Coach Peterson. He is really cool and outgoing. He pushed me to do my best, even when I wasn't doing my best.”

But, what's the purpose of practice if not to beat your opponents in an underwater race? Junior Dexter Blackwell said, “Meets are about four hours long, hot, and loud. So many people are yelling and staring, it's very chaotic.” Megan commented that it's not always work, but fun too. “It's sometimes funny when people's goggles slip off in the water, they aren't allowed to grab them and slide them back on. When they come back up, their eyes are all red and puffy and water flies everywhere,” Megan said.

Dexter added to her statement and said, “We had this meet at Brevard and this boy jumped in from East and his jammers almost feel completely off. It's almost happened to me except I didn't flash the world.”

Just like any other high school sport, swimming can be an extremely fun and rewarding sport. If you love hanging out by the pool in the summer, why not do it indoors in the fall too? These swimmers know what it means to have fun while you're working.

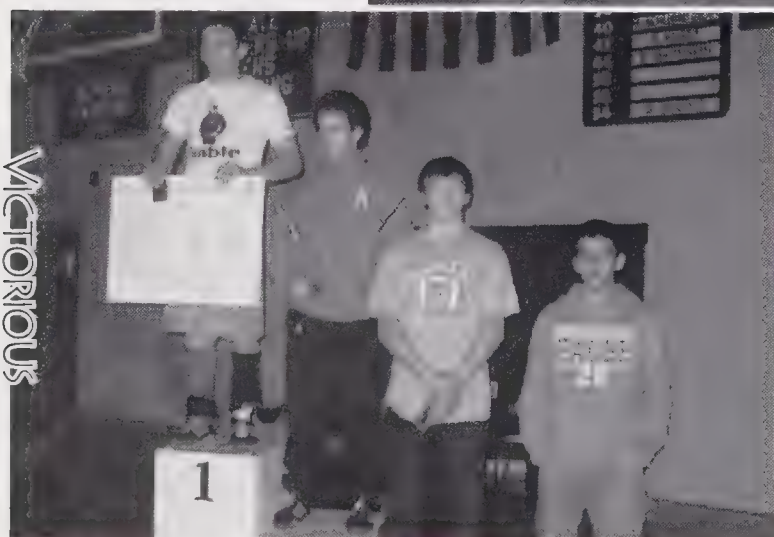




Left: The wrestling team gathers together for a quick photo after a match. Right: Colton Pitillo poses for the camera. Below: Not all of wrestling is physically challenging, here Alex Sprude and Coach Williams challenge their minds in a game of Chess.

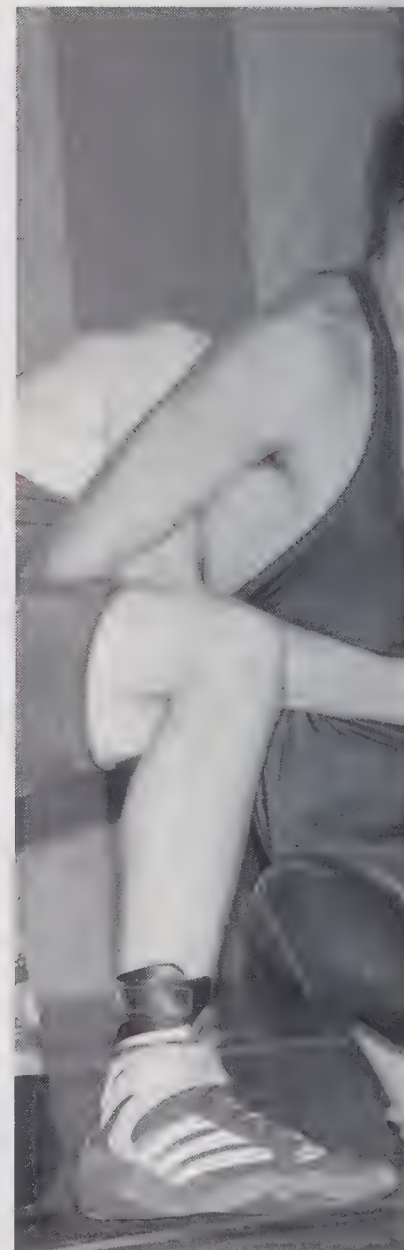


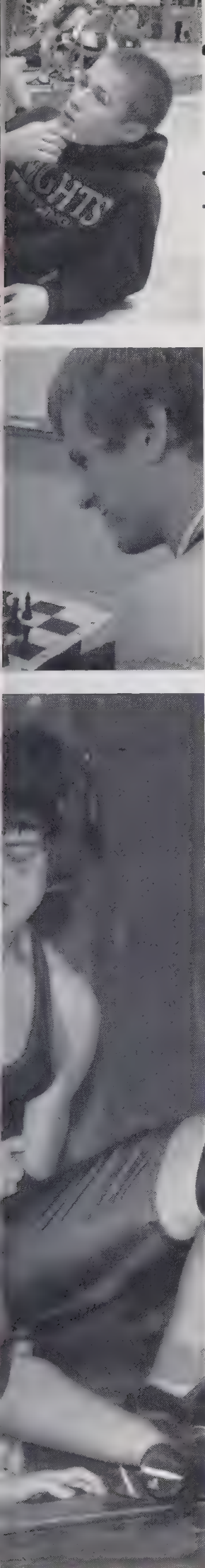
Back row from left to right: Stacey Gresock, Coach Williams, Nick Trapp, Jared Anderson, Tyler Kemack, Michael Doll, Josh Goldstein, Lindsay Corn, Corissa Garren
Middle row from left to right: Joey Maciel, Sam Julian, Alex Sprude, Jared Harris, Sterling Ducker, Cherokee Ducker, Dustin Miller
Front Row from left to right: Tyler Huneycutt, Andrew Cambell, Enrique Vera, Colton Pitillo, Josh Cawthorne, Jordan West



left: Sterling Ducker places third

Right: Freshman Nick Trapp wrestles against his opponent.





"I like to show my dominance in front of a crowd of people."

(FRESHMAN, JORDAN WEST)

There have been many discussions on which sport is most tough. Some say it's either football or lacrosse because of the hard hitting. Others say its soccer or track because of all the running. People have even said its baseball because of the use of hand-eye coordination. However, there's only one sport that requires you to put a strain on every muscle in your body. There's only one sport in which you come out of a practice feeling lifeless and drained, so bad you feel as if you couldn't take another step. There's only one sport that puts such a demand on your body you literally collapse under all of the pressure; and that sport's wrestling.

The wrestling team faced many hardships and much adversity this year but toughed it out until the end. "This team was a lot younger and inexperienced, than last years' team. We also had to overcome a lot of adversity, like injuries and immaturity," said Junior Alex Sprude. Alex wrestled weight class 189 for the team and was very successful. He finished with a 20-22 record and qualified for regionals. Last year the team lost nine out of their fourteen starters and those positions had to be filled by younger students. It was difficult for much success but many people stepped it up for the team.

Many of the teams' younger wrestlers had to do big things to help the team. "I would usually wrestle first or second in matches so I would go out there and get us started off right," said Sophomore Enrique Vera. Enrique was very valuable to the team. He finished the season with a 23-13 record. He placed third in the conference, and scored many points for the team. "My favorite match was where I beat one of Enkas' senior wrestlers. I wasn't expected to win that match but I stepped it up and won. It was my best match this season," said Sophomore Nick Trapp. Nick was another young wrestler that helped the team out a lot.



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Nov 18	Old Appalachian Invitational
Nov 21	Daniel Boone (TN)
Nov 25	North Knight Invitational
Nov 28	Madison
Dec 1-2	Falcon Frenzy Invitational
Dec 9	Farragut
Dec 10	Farragut Duals
Dec 13	Mitchell
Dec 15	East Rutherford, Hibriten, Etc.
Dec 19	Enka
Dec 29-30	Rebel Invitational
Jan 5	TC Roberson
Jan 6	Enka Duals
Jan 11	Smoky Mountain
Jan 13	Fandetti Brawl
Jan 13	Brevard
Jan 16	Tri: West Lincoln, North Lincoln
Jan 19	West Henderson
Jan 24	East Henderson
Jan 26	Pisgah
Jan 30	WAC Conference Tournament
Feb 2	Dual Team
Feb 6	Dual Team
Feb 8	Regional Tournament
Feb 16-17	State Tournament
Feb 23-24	

With 35 wins, 13 losses, a first place win in conference, three second place and four third place finishes in tournaments, and a third place finish in regionals Junior Sterling Ducker was a standout for the team. "I wrestled my matches the best that I could and when I wasn't wrestling I was on the bench cheering on my teammates," said Sterling. Sterling was a leader of the team and helped the other wrestlers to improve when he could.

The team is young, but they gained experience every time they stepped on the mat. We're all eager to see what happens next year with a little bit more experience, and a little more wrestling under their belts.

WRESTLING

“Mountain Air is my favorite place to golf.”

(SENIOR KAYLA TATHAM)

In high school, sports mean a lot to students. It's a way for them to express their special abilities and serve as a social outlet for those who want to get together to cheer the teams on. But there are those high school sports teams that no one seems to acknowledge; one of these teams is golf.

For those who are interested and pick up this skill driven sport, it's just as fun and social as football or basketball. Sophomore Brittany Ramsey said, “The games are so much fun! A bunch of girls get together on the course and break off into groups. We do our best to beat previous scores and just goof off. You build really good friendships.”

Brittany, like many other members, was a newbie to golfing this year. Coach Taylor got her interested in golf as an after school activity, though she never knew she'd grow so fond of the game and her fellow golfers. As people started to leave the team for more entertaining after school events, Brittany stuck to it with her best friend Senior Kayla Tatham.

Kayla herself wasn't new this year; she participated last year and won many matches. Out of all the courses she and her teammates have played she said, “Mountain Air is my favorite place to golf. It's a longer course and the scenery is beautiful. And Tim McGraw and Faith Hill live there!”

Though some students entered the team unsure of what to expect, a few students have had a lot of training and experience on the greens. Sophomore Zac Clayton said, “My dad got me interested in golfing a long time ago. I started golfing with him when I was about 8, ever since it's been a hobby of mine. It's great to just go out and play your best without pressure.”

Though some may say the original high school sports are football and basketball, it's a refresher to see other students going out and doing what they are best at, regardless of the name. These golfers truly know how to go against the par.

Right: Sophomore Brittany Ramsey and Senior Kayla Tatham smile big for the camera. Below: Kayla Tatham concentrates hard on putting.





HOW TO *Drive a ball*



1. Begin by standing in front of the ball. if your right handed, line the ball up with your right heel.

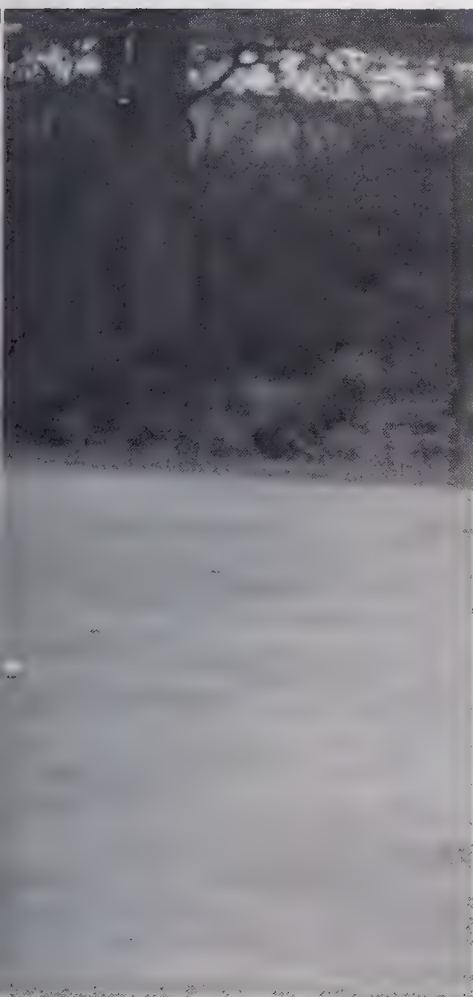


2. Once your lined up with the ball. Reel back your Driver, while keeping your left elbow extended.



3. When you've reached a position you think is going to provide a good enough swing, let it rip.

4. While swinging, remember to keep your eye on the ball. If you look up to soon, it could affect your swing.



Left: Coach Taylor poses for the camera. Below: Coach Taylor shows off his golfing skills for the team. Right: Coach gives a pep talk to his team.



First Row: J.J Brown, Cristian Rico, Everett Hardin, Andrew Kimbro, Ethan Hardin, Justin Moffitt, Clay Cross. Row 2: J.J Johnson, Caleb Moore, Tyler Spangler, Kayne Edney, Curtis Lumley, Dequane Landrum, Cory Johnson, Mike Carpenter, Jed Freeman. Row 3: Nick Trapp, Chris Hickman, Josh Hall, Kendall Edwards, Page Crawford, Josh Goldstein, Major Duckett, Joriah Mielke, Micheal Doll, Coach Manuel.



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4/18	West
4/25	North
5/2	West
5/12	North
5/18	NC A&T



Above: Sophomore Ty Williams runs in the relay.



Above: Senior Tucker Rhinehart out paces the competition.

Right: Sophomre Ashley Bargiol throws the shot



Above: Freshman Dequane Landrum tries his hardest to jump the farthest. Left: Sophomore Sarah Willingham runs the mile.



“Running fast is better than running slow.”

(FRESHMAN, KIM RUSH)



The gun shot off and so did Michelle Dills. She was determined to win this relay for her team. No way was she letting them down. She could do it. She could bring home the number one spot and the cheers and support of her team. She was going to no matter what.

Michelle, a senior, shared, “I like running relay races; it is really fun to compete against other teams.” People like Michelle who love to run are the kids who stay healthy. “I fully intend on keeping this sport in my life, so I plan on competing more in the future.” Michelle revealed. “I first wanted to run track in ninth grade, because it seemed interesting and I liked to run. The Olympics are pretty much my sole inspiration because of the competitive level.”

Junior Katelyn Kemeciak said, “We have a really great team and are very intimidating to the other teams we compete against.” People like Michelle and Katelyn enjoy their selected sport and are good at what they do. “I might run in college” said Katelyn. “I haven’t exactly made up my mind yet.” Katelyn also shared that she decided to start running track her freshman year because she had always run really fast in middle school. She also chose to run because her best friend, Junior Jessica Stewart, ran as well and it made for some fun times between the two of them.

Track is a very fast paced and very exhausting sport. These athletes train for months to be in condition for their first meet. Many track participants run all year long to stay in shape, giving no mind to weather, temperature, or anything else really. These athletes are determined; that is one thing that can and always will be said.



Top Row: Coach Uy, Serenity Ash, Amanda Lyda, Laura Stave, Felicia Garren, Morgan McMinn, Lindsay Corn, Amy Lancaster, Taylor Perkins, Keela Stepp, Brittany Freeman. 2nd Row: Khadija Khan, Sarah Maldonado, Terri Carter, Heather Lorenz, Niki Hewell, Mari Perez, Elizabeth Youngblood, Cassie Russell, Lucretia Logan, Ashley Bargiol, Coach Faulkner. 3rd Row: Sarah Willingham, Lauren Wilkie, Christina Storm, Kendra Burke, Cynthia Carpenter, Anne Traister, Riki Norman, Chelsea Stokes, Erika Nalley, Kate Kmiecik. Last Row: Ty Williams, Mellisa Sims, Moane Cobb, Missy Carter, Corissa Garren, Megan McCraw, Kim Rush, Jessica Stewart, Whitney Bowers, Julia Sullivan.

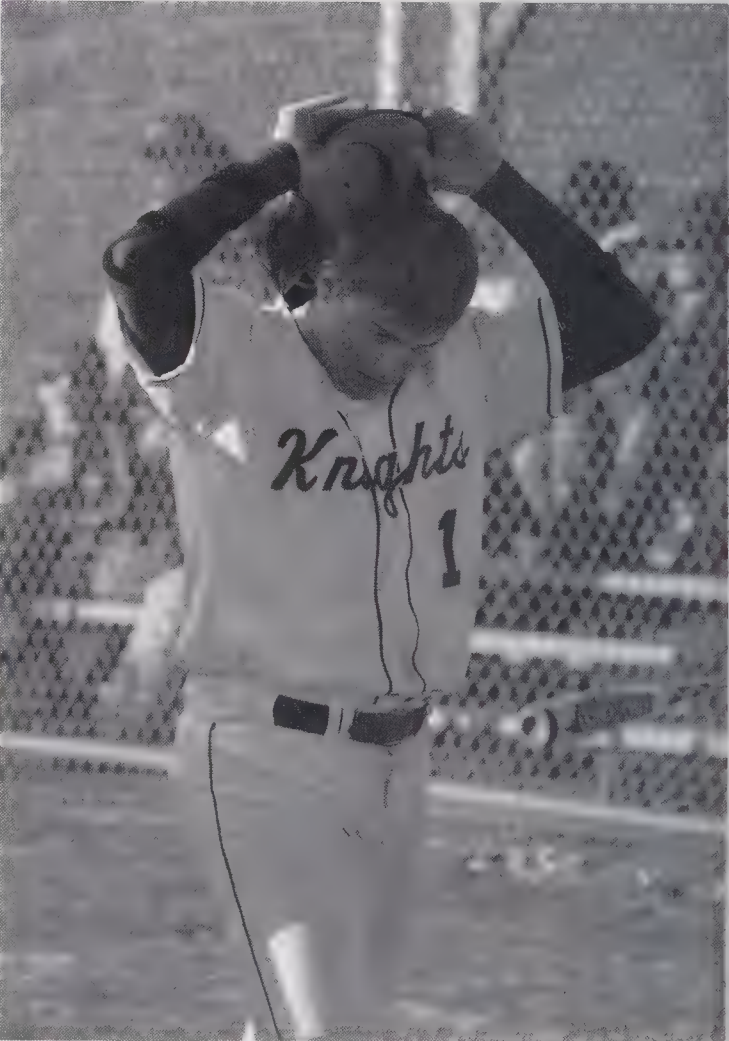
GIRL'S TRACK



Above: Junior Patrick Singletary squats behind the batter. Right: Caleb Bryan watches from the dugout.



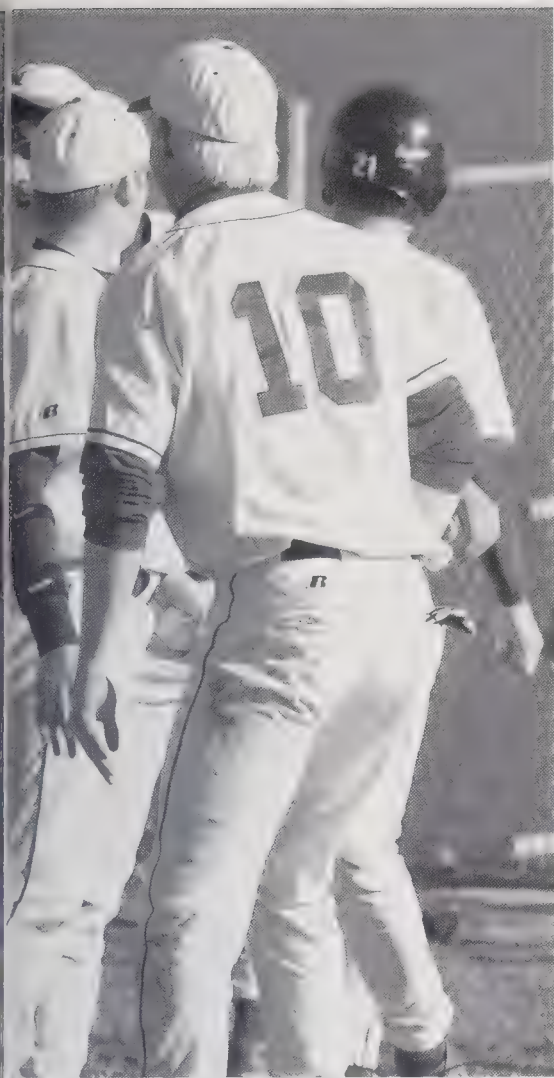
Above: Sophomore Kevin Searcy Pitches the ball! Right: Senior Kenneth Brandt Walks back to the dugout after an inning. Below: Part of the team removes thier hats and stands respectively for the national anthem.



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VICTORIOUS





Many baseball players started at a young age. Junior Ethan Pressley started at age five, and has played for twelve years. Senior Kenneth Brandt started at age 3, and has played for fifteen years. Senior Trey Nicholson's dad told him at age four that he was going to play baseball and he has been playing ever since. Many baseball players have been playing over half their life. That is a long time, but it doesn't matter if they love what they do.

Many players hope to continue their baseball career after they finish high school. "I will continue baseball after high school because I have a passion for the game," said Ethan. Ethan plays first base, short-stop, third base and outfield. "I will continue after high school because I love the game," said Kenneth. He is a pitcher and outfielder. "I plan to play baseball at Blue Ridge Community College next year," said Trey. He plays short-stop and pitcher. But some baseball players just enjoyed playing in high school and will move on to other things after they finish school. "I don't plan on going to college so, no, I will not be continue baseball after high school," said Senior Jared Anderson. He enjoys playing left field.

Many of the boys feel that West is their toughest opponent. "West is our biggest rival," said Ethan. "West is our county rival," said Trey. West has always been our rival in all of our sports. They have a good athletic department and always seem to "bring it" when we play against them.

"I love playing baseball at North because the good coaching and good team members make the game fun," said Ethan. When playing baseball a good coach is a big part. They need to have someone who will motivate them and help them improve. "Good coaching, energy and motivation from the other teammates make it more enjoyable,"

said Kenneth. Motivation from other teammates is always good. They need to help each other out just as much as the coach needs to help them. They all agree that they have good coaches and very supportive teammates.

It sounds like the baseball team is going to have a great season, and work hard to win. Hope to see the coach lead them all the way.

Back row: Caleb Bryan, Micheal Lolly, Josh Drake, Ethan Pressley, Jared Anderson, Kevin Searcy, Trey Nicholson. (Front row) Justin Lanning, Jordan Brunnelle, Kenneth Brandt, Carson Thomas, Andrew Harris, Chris Broome, Patrick Singletary.



"Playing baseball has been very influential in my life."

(SENIOR KENNETH BRANDT)

“To play Varsity, you have to give 100% ALL the time.”

(JUNIOR CHAZ MORRISON)

It is more than just an extra curricular activity. It is taken a little more seriously. Varsity Softball works hard and plays hard. Doing their best is something every team strives for. Working hard to try to make playoffs and being first in conference are goals to work for. Being at every practice and every game is important. “I like the girl’s dedication to the game and their willingness to learn everyday,” said Coach Banfield. The girls on the team are willing to work as hard as possible to get what they are working for. “100% of dedication everyday for at least two and a half hours of practice and for games you have to be mentally prepared and physically prepared,” said Coach Banfield.

While J.V and Varsity work closely together it is very different. “J.V is really relaxed and Varsity is a lot more stressful,” said Junior Kasey Gibbs. “On J.V we only had like four or five games. Varsity plays about twelve. The competition is much better and it’s more serious,” said Junior Brianna Brevard. J.V is a good way to get into the habit of playing and working with everyone. Getting the experience is what it is all about.

Practice makes perfect. Practice, is what every team must do to become better. Varsity softball is no different. “We practice five days a week for about two hours after school. From February to May,” said Brianna. “Our average practice consists of conditioning, going over drills, and going over the fundamentals,” said Coach Banfield.

Coach Banfield takes fun and seriousness into her coaching, with her positive and laid-back attitude towards everyone. She keeps all the girls active. “She doesn’t yell for mistakes, she helps you and usually it works,” said Junior Brianna Brevard. Patience is virtue and Coach Banfield has a lot of it.

Some girls have been doing this a while, other girls not so long. “I’ve played softball since I was four. I got to play a year early because my dad was the coach,” said Brianna. Not all students have the ties that she did. “This was my first year playing,” said Junior Sandra Alkemper. Inspiration may be the whole reason anyone gets involved. “My dad wanted me to play sports so he signed me up and I did it,” said Kasey. “My parents got into softball. They both wanted me to be very athletic. I have played softball since I was four. I got to play a year early because my dad was the coach. Both my brothers and my sister played. My parents also did when they were younger,” said Brianna. Inspiration comes in different forms. Finding inspiration is the easy part. “The girl’s teammates inspire them. I hope I do too. I believe I’m a very positive coach but I will give them constructive criticism when needed,” said Coach Banfield.

All the girls on the team know what it is like to work hard. They will all continue to work hard until the seasons over. Some girls will play again next year or some will just have fond memories of a great season of Varsity softball.

Smacking the ball Sophomore Christian Gosnell hits a line drive.

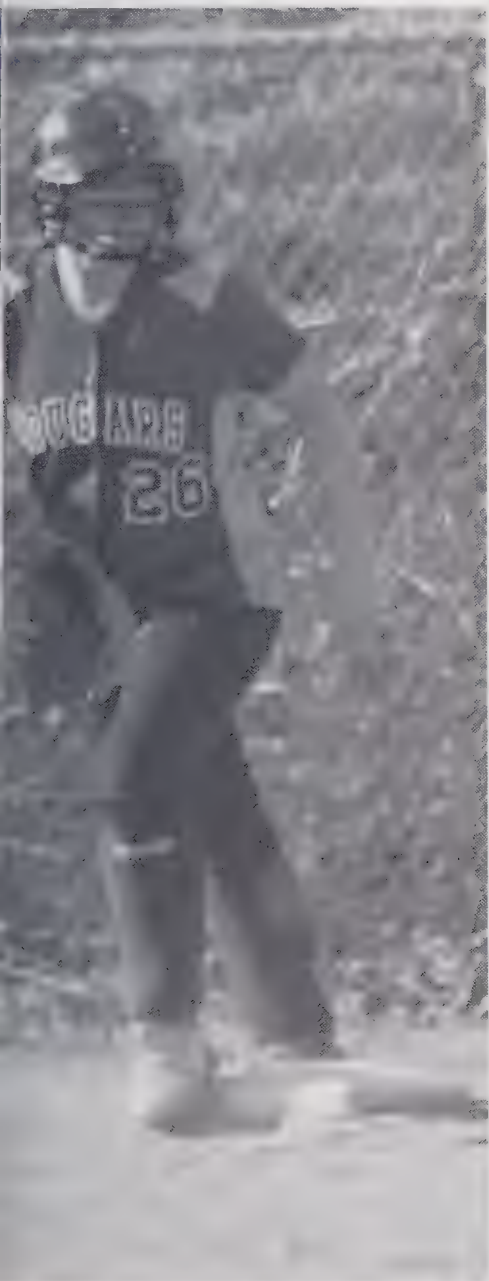
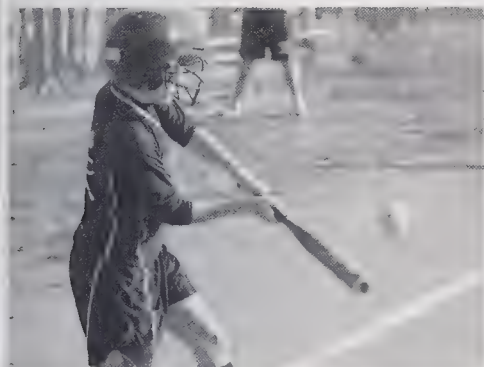


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Back: Coach Megan Corn, Kristen Swann, Erika Wullenwebber, Sandra Alkemper, Kasey Gibbs, Bailey Brow, Breanna Jackson, Coach Tatham, Coach Pelech.
Front: Brianna Brevard, Chistian Gosnell, Kayla Anders, Ashley Wood, Kristin Pace, Kayla Tatham, Natalie Cannon, Chaz Morrison.

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5/15	1st Round Playoffs



Above: Senior Kristen Pace Reals the ball around to make a perfect pitch.

Right: Junior Baliey Brow crouches low to get ready for the ball.



Above: Junior Kasey Gibbs Gets ready to snatch the ball should the batter misses.

Back row: Kelsey Sabo, Jordan Patton, Lauren Hunt, Coach Tatham, Erika Wullenwebber, Natalie Cannon, Coach Megan Corn.
Front row: Devon Waldron, Kristen Swann, Kayla Anders, Chelsea Welkie.



Right: Freshmen Natalie Cannon rears back to hurl the ball.
Bellow: Freshmen Kristen Swann winds back her bat ready to swing.



Above: Sophomore Nickie Estes pitches the ball.
Right: Freshmen Kristen Swann throws the ball to home plate.

Sophomore Josh Brown throws the ball to first base.

"We're more like one big family rather than a team."

(FRESHMAN, CHELSEY WILKIE)

"The very first time I was up to bat the ball hit me so hard in the leg, I had an imprint of the laces on my leg for two weeks," said Freshman Ashleigh Owens. Whether it is a good memory, or a not so great one, all sports have an impact on our lives. In this case...it's Junior Varsity softball and baseball; two sports known and loved by many students and athletes.

With a lot of hard work, intense practices, and great teamwork, the J.V Softball team had much success. Some people think of softball as being dull and boring, others believe it to be exciting and intense. "The funniest part about softball is being a part of the team. You get to bond with all the girls, and we have so much fun together," said Freshman Kayla Anders. Kayla has played softball for nine years. She started playing because her dad told her it'd probably be something she'd like to do. It turns out it was. "The best part of softball is simply having fun. Don't get me wrong; I'm very competitive, and aggressive, but I also look forward to going and bonding with my friends," says Freshman Chelsey Wilkie. Many people and athletes find softball to be very fun, and they enjoy doing it.

The J.V Baseball team also worked very hard to build their foundation, and their reputation as one of the toughest teams around. "I expect to drive in runs, play error free defense, and become a leader on the team," said Sophomore Justin Lanning. That was the attitude needed to push the team to do great things. Justin has played baseball for eleven years; his position is pitcher. "I love striking people out making them mad when they don't get a hit," said Justin.

The difference in being an okay team and being a team other teams fear to play is teamwork. The boys worked with each other very well helping them to become the team they were. "I get along with my teammates very well. We have our friendly competitions with one another, but it only makes us better. We learn from each other, and that helps us in the long run," said Sophomore Kevin Sercey. Kevin is also one of the teams' pitchers.

We expected a lot out of these two teams, and they surely lived up to their expectations. The teams have built their own foundations, and we're eager to see if next years teams can live up to their expectations.

Sophomore Rayce Lamb swings his bat hoping to knock the ball out of the park.

Back row: Coach Rice,
Ryan Brackett, Teddy
Webb, David Ballard, Josh
Brown, Cody Baxter, Austin
Maxwell.
Front row: Rayce Lamb,
Chris Gordner, Marty
Jackson, Jacob Maxwell,
Jeremiah Bagwell.



JV SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL

"If it was any more fun it would be illegal."

(SENIOR, BRADLEY COLE)

"Lacrosse is a very physical sport. It's just like football except you use a big metal pole and far less pads." Sophomore Sam Julian shared. Lacrosse is still fairly unknown to many people as a sport but the lacrosse team aims to remedy that. Lacrosse is often described as a mixture of soccer and hockey, without the ice of course. It is also famous for being a very physical, very contact driven sport. People are constantly getting knocked over, slapped around, and stepped on. Beginning in the late fall with practices every Wednesday afternoon the team was absolutely ready for the season.

"I love playing lacrosse; it is a very addicting sport and it is very hard to stop once you start playing." Senior Mike Beamish shared. Many lacrosse players have given up other sports to continue to play. Some have played for many years while others have just started their addictions. A typical lacrosse practice consisted of stretching, 2 laps around the field, line drills, handling drills, and other assorted drills. The team worked very hard to ensure that they were ready for the season and the challenges that lie ahead. Regardless of the record they came out with, the team gave every game their all and would do it all again.



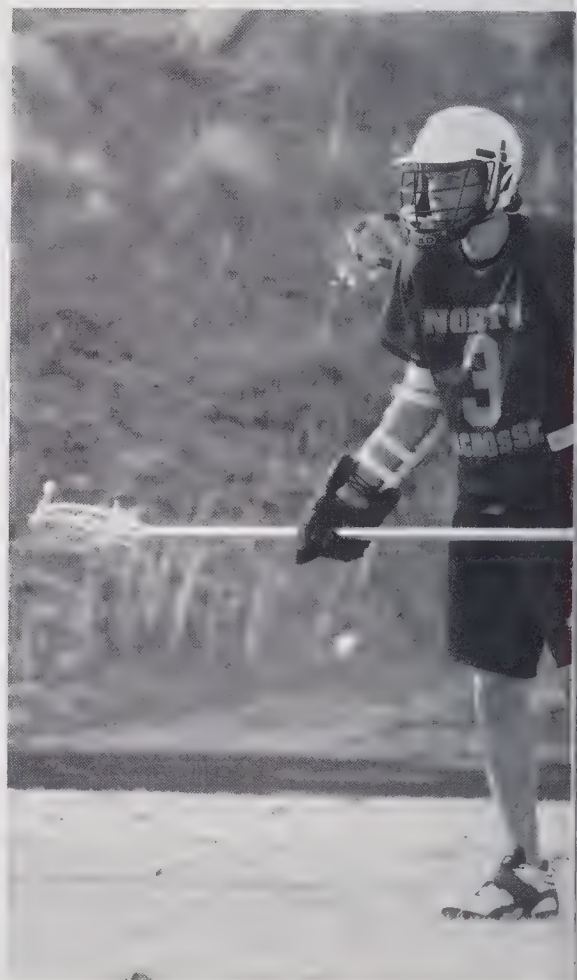
WHO IS...

Bradley Cole?



Bradley Cole's favorite food is chocolate chip cookies. He loves the song "Pink Tux to Prom" by Relient K. In his spare time he likes hanging out with his friends and going to church. He is a really outgoing guy. His favorite color is blue and his favorite movies are **Anchorman** and **Talladega Nights**. When he gets out of school he wants to be a preacher.

"If it was any more fun it would be illegal."





Right: Guarding the goal, Sophomore Jc Britt makes sure no ball gets by him. Below: Sophomore Andrew Frentess sets up for a shot as the other team races down the field.



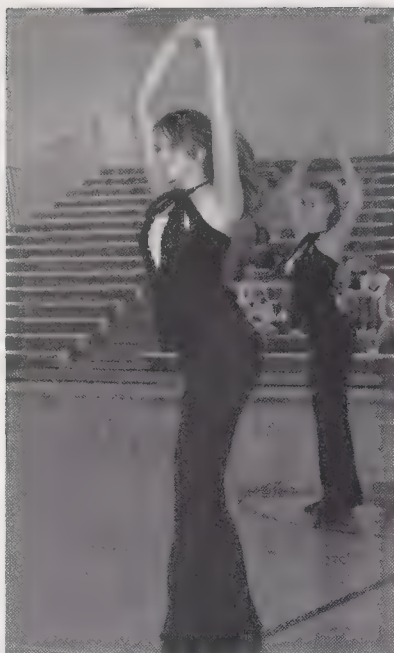
Above: The lacrosse team raise their sticks and shout! Right: Senior Bradley Cole readies himself if the ball should reach the defensive side of the field.



Back Row: Jc Britt, Michael Borsody, Garret Lee, Ryan Carlisle, Bradley Cole, Adam Danielson, Coach, Loving Tyler Cousins. Front Row: Tony Frye, Michael Beamish, Kye Murphy, Jonathan Robinson, Mason Parnell, Joey Zepeda.

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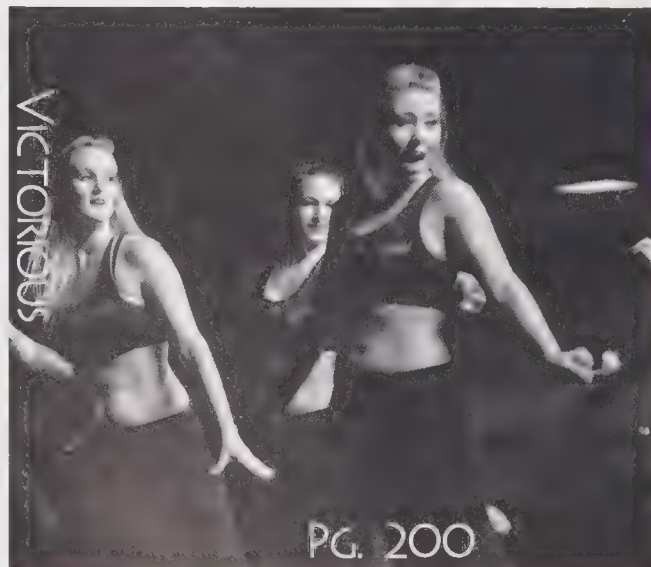
Seniors Alicen Hyder and Amy Lancaster show off their moves in the gym.



Seniors Amy Lancaster and Alicen Hyder, along with Sophomores Areli Perez and Alyssa Andreotta pick up the pom poms for some fun in class.



The dance team, with Senior Amber Wilson out front, shows off their latest routine to the occupants of the gymnasium.



Giving it their all at competition, the team shows off an award winning routine.

2007 Dance Team: Alyssa Andreotta, Amanda Jordan, Amber Curd, Jordan Heatherly, Lauren Odom, Holly Mehaffey, Areli Perez, Jordan Griffin, Kayla Swann, Amy Lancaster, Jennifer Kitchen, Alicen Hyder, Amber Wilson, Ciara Newman

"My favorite part is getting to know the team"

(JUNIOR LAUREN ODOM)

Here at North, the dance team always tries their best to destroy any competition that gets in their face. Many members join the dance team not only because they enjoy dancing, but also to be taught by the dance teacher, Ms. Justus.

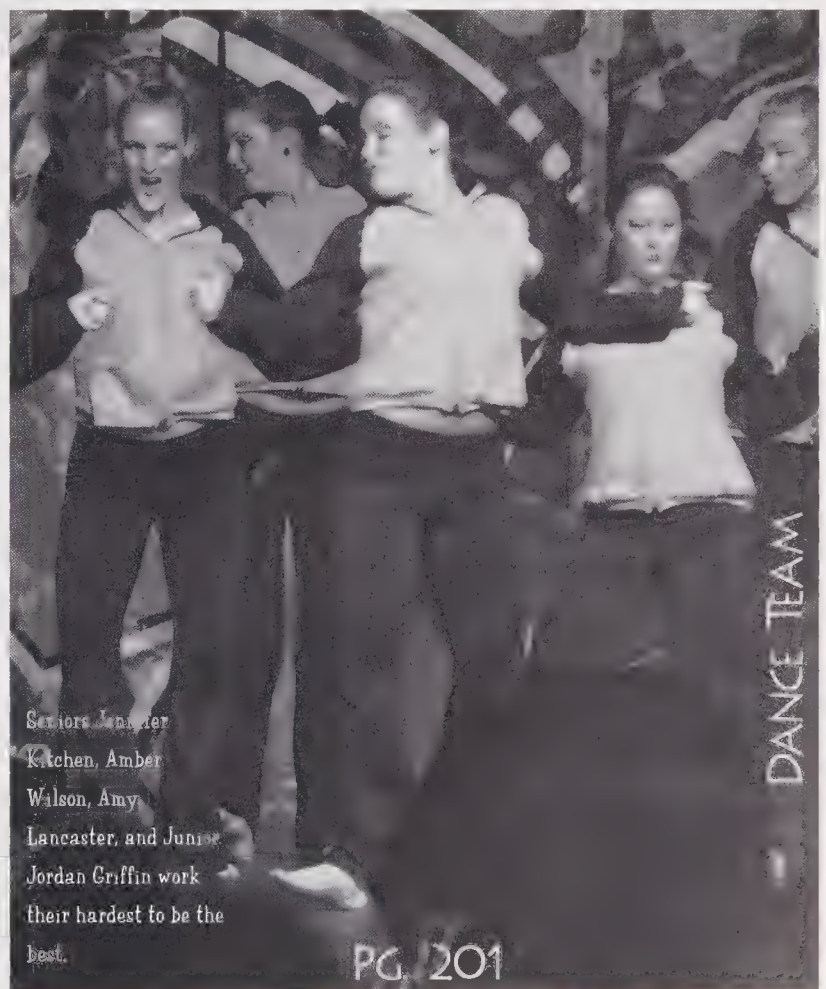
The hardest part of the dance team to some people is probably making the team. "It's pretty [hard making the team] because you learn an entire dance in one day, and try out the very next day," said Senior Alicen Hyder. After making the team, the new and old members must start to practice for the games and competitions. "We practice for an hour and a half a day and sometimes before or after school if we need it," said Alicen. The girls are able to squeeze in their long practices during fourth period. Being on the team means not only do the members learn new dances but they are also getting a credit.

To win any competition, each member must contribute to the team. "Not [everyone gives 100%.] There are some little things everyone needs help with, including myself," said Senior Kayla Swann. If the team doesn't give their full effort, everything will turn into chaos. Once the dance team felt that they were ready, they made their first public appearance during the pep-rally of homecoming week. They went on that night to perform at the Varsity Football game.

"I'm so glad that I've been on the dance team for the last three years because it has been really fun," said Alicen. Being on the dance team means that everyone will make new friends with the other team members. Dancing is a passion to many and is a tradition at pep rallies, football games, and annual competitions. As long as there is a passion, there will be the dance team.



Senior Amy Len
Junior Sophomore
Amber Card and
Junior Melaney
Junior Lauren Odom
start their dance off
with a bang



Seniors Jennifer
Kitchen, Amber
Wilson, Amy
Lancaster, and Junior
Jordan Griffin work
their hardest to be the
best.

DANCE TEAM

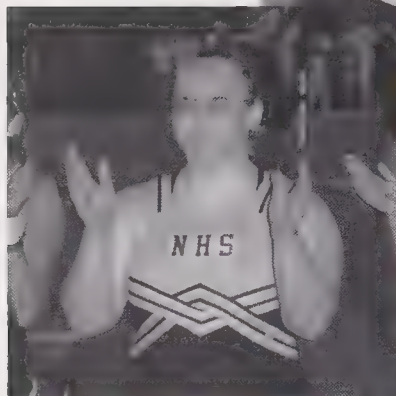
“My favorite part of Varsity cheerleading is getting the fans involved...”

(FRESHMAN, ALEX MCMINN)

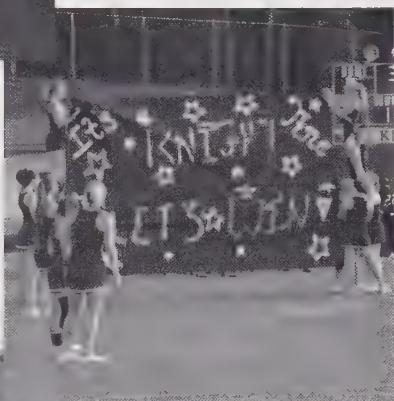
(Right) The varsity cheerleaders get ready to perform at the Pep Rally.



(Left) Riki Norman keeps the crowd alive by clapping along to a cheer.



The cheerleaders (Right) show off their banner before the football team rips it apart.



Kayla Anders (left) gets riled up during a home football game.



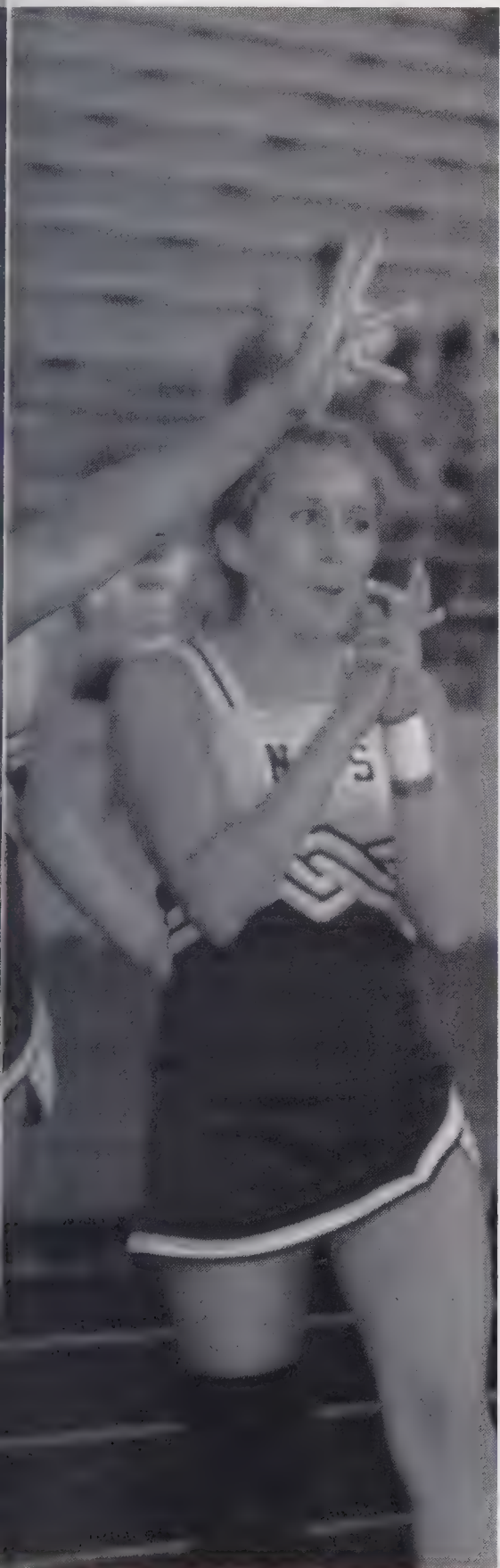
"L-E-T-S G-O! Let's go! Let's go! L-E-T-S G-O! Let's go!" This encouraging cheer is the familiar sound of the Varsity Cheerleaders encouraging the football and basketball teams.

Cheerleaders obviously love what they do but may have a preference of what season/sport they want to root for. "I like cheering in winter better [than fall] because I understand basketball way better and I can actually watch the game," said Freshman Kayla Anders. Some cheerleaders, like Sophomore Aerika Nalley, may disagree with her. Aerika said, "I like cheering in the fall because it's football season and I like football better. And I hate sitting down for long periods of time [at the basketball games]."

As in every other sport, cheerleaders face many challenges. "The most difficult part about cheering is having to deal with my knee injury because it prevents me from doing a lot of things I would like to do," said Junior Jordan Griffin. Having an injury in this sport can affect the cheerleaders' ability to do jumps and certain cheers since most of their cheers involve a lot of moving and stunting. Senior Kayla Swann reports that another difficulty in cheerleading lies in attendance "Putting together routines when no one comes to practice [is hard]," she said. In cheerleading, a missing teammate may cause the squad to have to re-teach the cheers or dance routines.

The Varsity squad is very close and have had a lot of good memories together. One that many probably remember most is cheer camp at Furman University. "Camp was my best memory because we got a lot closer and got to bond as a team," said Sophomore Alyssa Andreotta. "Cheer camp is my best memory of cheerleading because we froze the JV cheerleaders' bloomers," said Senior Jennifer Kitchen.

Most of these Varsity Cheerleaders have been cheering for a very long time. Kayla Swann has been cheering for twelve years, and Jennifer has been cheering for six years. Cheering is something they hope to continue after their high school years are over.



Varsity cheerleaders do one of their signature cheers to keep the crowd involved.

Top Row: Jordan Griffin, Amber Curd, Ms. Buckner, Elizabeth Killman, Kayla Anders. Middle Row: Alex McMinn, Lacie Peters, Brian Cannon, Alyssa Andreotta, Arika Nalley. Bottom Row: Jennifer Kitchen, Jennifer Wolf, Briana Bushelli, Kayla Swann



“Cheering is the main sport I’ve done since moving here.”

(FRESHMAN, LEAH HOOTS)

Although it may seem that JV Cheerleaders are not Varsity material, they can be just as talented and driven as any. Many JV cheerleaders are viewed as a lesser version of their upperclassmen, yet they have the same challenges any Varsity member would come across. Freshman Melissa Sims said, “Cheerleading is hard work. You have to be dedicated and practice just like any other sport.”

Hard work isn’t the only challenge for these girls; they also have to deal with drama and teenage angst. Sophomore Erica Easler said, “There was a lot of drama between girls at the beginning of the season. Jealousy over guys and friendships were a big problem.” And it didn’t help any that the JV team was out a coach this season. Freshman Cassie Russel explained, “Not having a specific coach was tough. We had Buckner for a while, and Mor-rata, and then our captain, Shannon, taught us a bit. It was a hard transition.”

These girls have also had to overcome a lot of obstacles for the team. Freshman Missy Carter said, “I’m a flyer so I had to overcome my fear of heights. It was really hard.” There is always the risk of fracturing or breaking a bone when stunts are performed. Erica commented, “I haven’t gotten [seriously] hurt many times. But at this past game I hurt my hip pretty bad.” Melissa agrees with the dangers of cheering, “Stunts cause problems for flyers. They have to learn to hold their weight. And as a team we have to lift weights to keep strong,” she said.

For some of the members, cheerleading doesn’t end after school practice; Cassie, like other members on the squad, cheer outside of school. Cassie said, “I like cheering in school, but outside is fun as well. In school you get to know people better and they tend to get on your nerves. But at Club Cheer you don’t know them too personally. It’s easier to get along.” Cheering outside of school also has perks, such as competitions. Cassie said, “It’s fun cheering for big crowds. We won so many competitions. And we got to go to Carowinds and compete.”

Cheerleading may seem like an easy sport, and JV may seem like the “ones who didn’t make the cut,” but they are just as talented and successful as Varsity. These girls know what it’s like to be challenged, and to go for their goals.

VICTORIOUS

Top Row: Erica Easler, Keela Stepp, Cassie Russel. Middle Row: Shannon Russel, Alexis Moore, Cynthia Carpenter. Bottom Row: Missy Carter, Leah Hoots



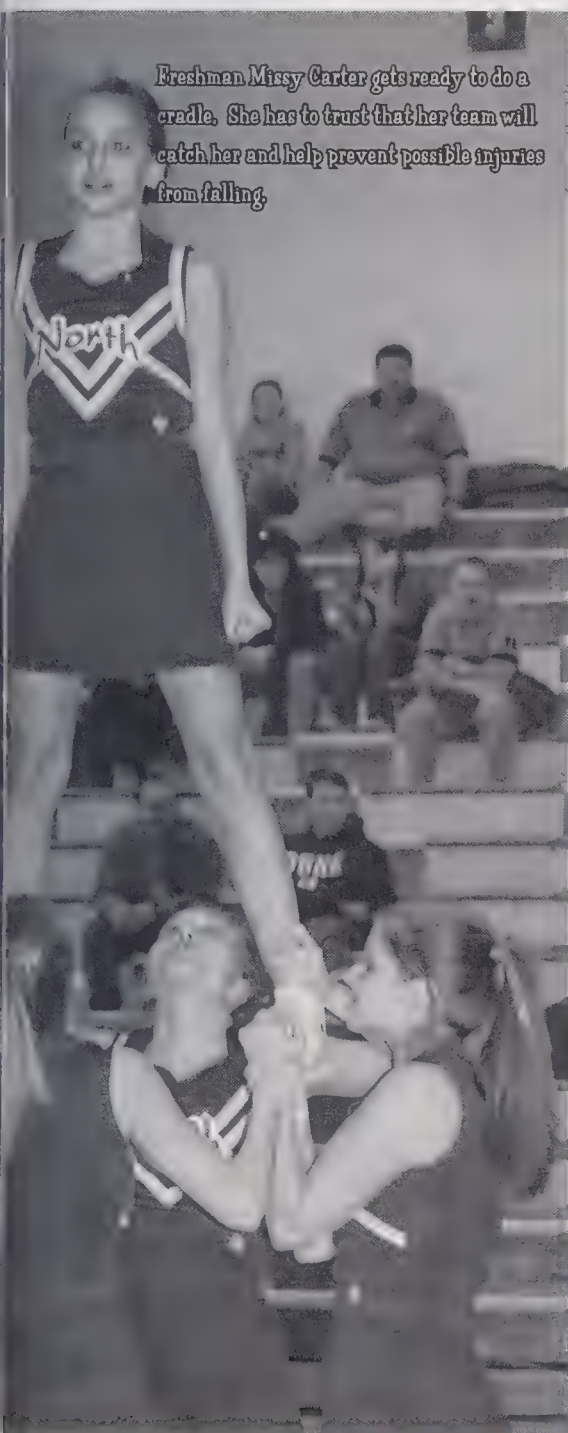
Melissa Sims cheers her team on.



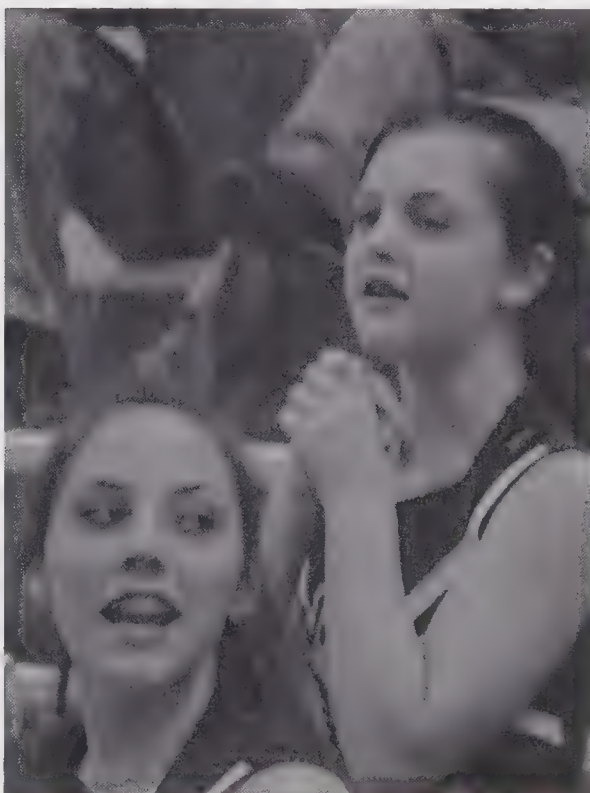
Freshmen Keela Stepp (left) concentrates on doing the cheers right while Shannon Russell and Missy Carter (below) wave their pom poms at the crowd.



Freshman Missy Carter gets ready to do a cradle. She has to trust that her team will catch her and help prevent possible injuries from falling.



Freshmen Leah Hoots and Missy Carter doing a stunt during half time.



Freshmen Cassie Russell and Alexis Moore cheer on the JV Basketball team.

WHAT Numbers?

Number of girls on
the squad:

Cost of Cheerleading
Camp:

Cost of body suits,
pom poms, and shoes
because of donations:

Number of
coaches this
year:

Number of hospital
worthy injuries:

Pom Poms to keep up
with:

JV CHEERLEADING

“Some days it’s really hard because there’s a lot of running.”

(JUNIOR, KENNY RODRIGUEZ)

Playing a fast paced game that requires endurance, intensity, and skills like soccer can be really challenging. “You need a lot of condition[ing] for running, you need good foot skills and you need to know how to pass and work together with your team”, said Junior Kenny Rodriguez. Soccer is an aggressive sport that takes a whole lot of commitment. Most of the girls on this years’ soccer team have been playing since middle school, and some even earlier than that. Without their long term commitment they would not be as good as they are today. It takes a lot to go after a ball after being hit by it. Depending on how hard a ball is kicked a player can end up with ugly bruises and possible broken bones. Cleat scars are seen a lot when someones foot misses the ball and connects another players’ skin. Injuries can occur quite often in such a fast paced and intense game.

With a total of eleven players including the goalie, things can get hectic, so teamwork is the key to winning a soccer game. Without teamwork, the entire team falls apart. If the defense can’t keep the ball away from their own goal, the offense can’t score to win any points and vice versa. Many Soccer players love the sport, but the most fun comes when “[you have] rivals and you beat them” said both Paulette Morales and Yolanda Diaz. But other players like Kenny Rodriguez “like shooting and making goals”. A soccer player can do many different things on the soccer field. Soccer is not all about kicking the ball and hoping it goes to a teammate. It’s about running plays and using reflexes to keep the ball away from your teams goal. Everyones part in a soccer team matters, it produces good results and often times leads to a victorious win!

This year is the first year for a JV girls team. “Its fun and exciting and we feel special to be known as the first team,” said Sophomore Jessica Diaz. The team is very delighted to heave that privilege. Even though sometimes the JV team doesn’t have any substitutes and each player has to play the whole game they give their hardest till the end. “Its fun to play the whole game but kind of hard sometimes because if you get tired you cant get out and rest, you just have to deal with it,” said Freshman Yolonda Diaz. Their coach is Ms. Kass, who always gives them motivation and keeps there spirit high. “She makes us work together and she has special activites that make us work as a team,” said Freshman Stephanie Knowles. With this being the first year for the JV girls soccer team, the girls are hoping that it won’t be the last.

VICTORIOUS



Front Row: Jessica Diaz, Erica Alomza, Gina Mirckovik, Sofia Gomez, Ariz Morales
Middle Row: Gianna Miracle, Reema Abdelotif, Lacie Peters, Felicia Carlise Back
Row: Yolonda Martinez, Carmon, Ivette Ventura, Karissa Carlise, Stephanie Knowles, Mrs. Kass



Staying ahead of the defense, Kenny and Lacie
dribbles the ball down the field.



Almost to Kick the Ball, Jose Gonzalez doesn't want to stop.



With the Ball, Jose Gonzalez is ready to go, as she can pass the ball.



Top Row: Jose Gonzalez, Jessica Bachman, Lauren Odom, Sydney Lyde, Julia Wallace, Alvaro Diaz, Coach King. Middle Row: Paulette Morales, Kenny Rodriguez, Brittany Ramsey, Yessica Juarez Gonzalez, Victoria Tate. Bottom Row: Lesli Lopez, Alicea Diaz, Calie Cruz, Nancy Aguillon, Yamili Lopez. Missing: Erica Diaz.



Following the first match, Julie Wallace and Captain Nancy Aguillon get their medals in the game.



Keeping the Ball, Jose Gonzalez is ready to go, as she can pass the ball.

“Step Team was a fun experience for me.”

(FRESHMAN KIM RUSH)

Seniors Shanice Marshall and Tyrika Sanders lead the team in the “Break it off” step. This was a very popular routine among the team.

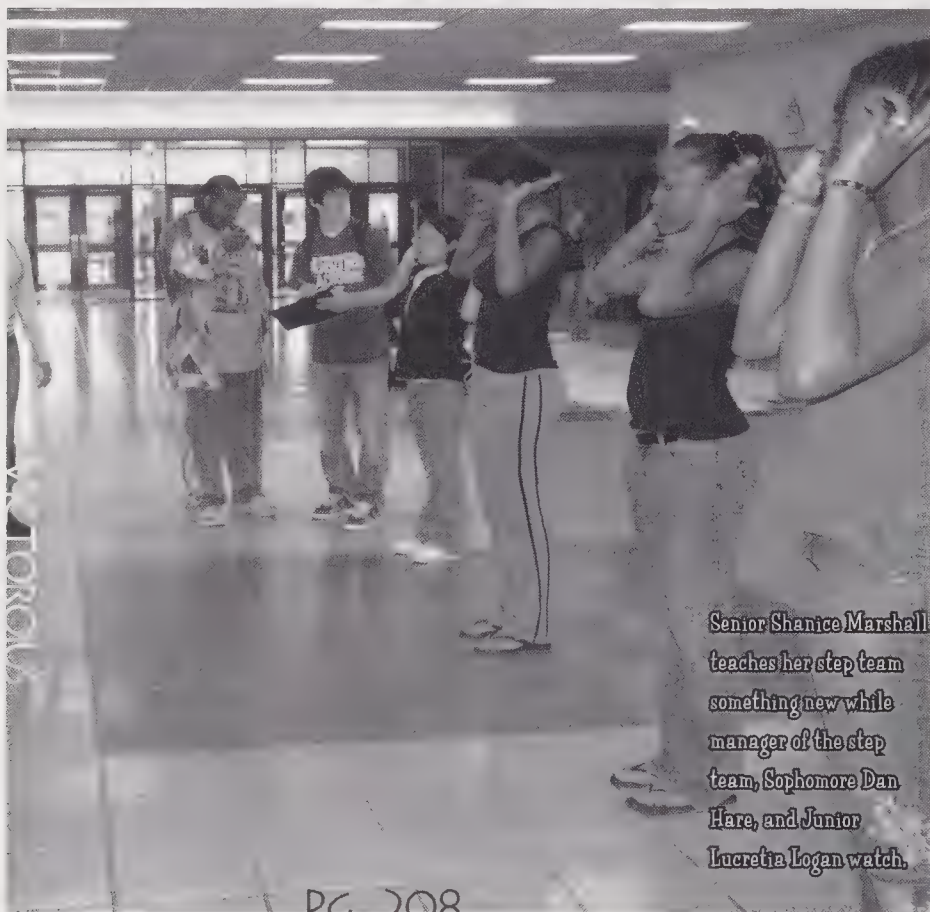
With a good beat and a nice hard floor students have returned to the hip-hop form of dance called stepping. Though there has been a step team before, this year’s team, known as D!@MOND \$T3PP3R\$ (Diamond Steppers), is stepping it up (pun intended) to take the team to the next level. Senior Vanessa Staley voices that being a member of the team has made a big impact on her senior year and that she defines who she is through step. “[Diamond Steppers] is a hip-hop team meant to bring diversity and a different style to North. It’s about making music with your hands and feet,” explained Vanessa, captain and founder of this year’s team.

The team meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday after school until 5 p.m., after it became an official team in mid-October of 2006.

Being able to freestyle and make their own moves to match a strong beat, as well as move along with others in sync, gives the step team a good opportunity to cut loose to show personality and energy to their audiences.

Most of the members agree that the new step team brings an exploding amount of fun and excitement. “I decided to join the Step Team because I know how to step and I used to do it in Philly. It’s reminding me of home,” said Sophomore Monae Cobb.

Changing the way we dance and forming a more relaxed form of ‘step’, the Diamond Steppers will continue to bring even more diversity and fun to students around school.



Senior Shanice Marshall teaches her step team something new while manager of the step team, Sophomore Dan Hare, and Junior Lucretia Logan watch.



Doing the step called 'Ladies'
Freshmen Montequilla and Kim
Rush get ready to break it down.



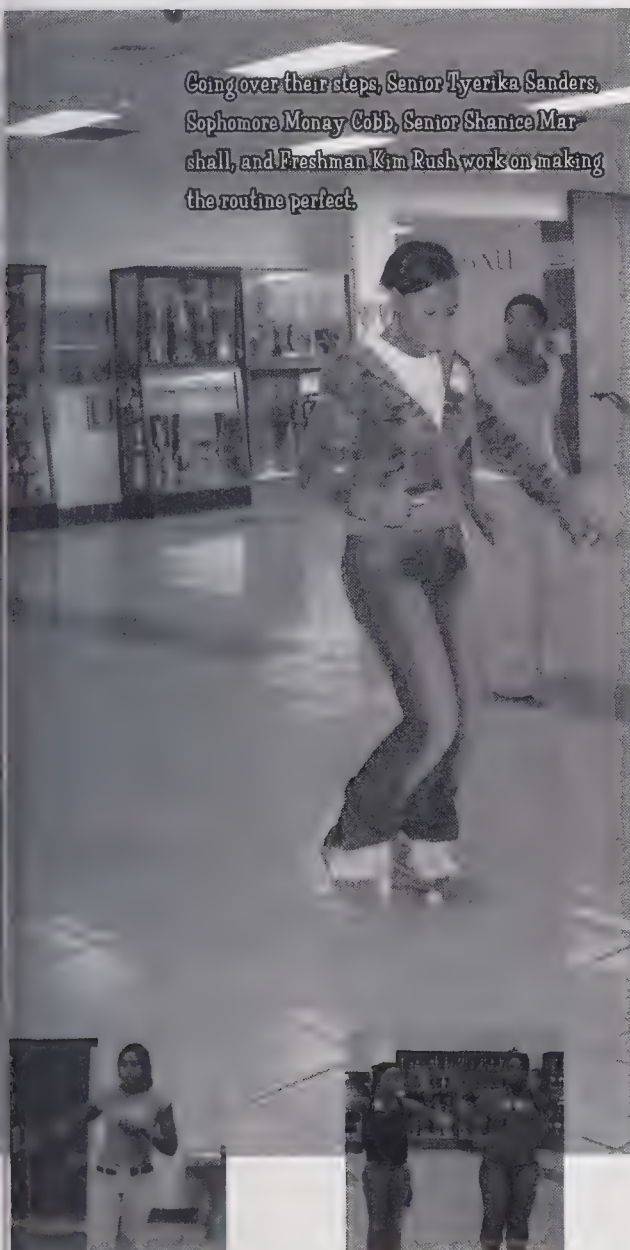
Posing for the camera the
Diamond Steppers make
their symbol with their
hands.



WHO IS *Shanice Marshall?*

She loves her pink and silver Crest spin toothbrush, Shanice is an individual known for her great sense of humor and enthusiastic attitude. She wants to be driving a Creme Cadillac Eldorado, and she loves hip hop and R&B music.

"Step team is a good start for college! Plus its fun."



Going over their steps, Senior Tyerika Sanders,
Sophomore Monay Cobb, Senior Shanice Mar-
shall, and Freshman Kim Rush work on making
the routine perfect.

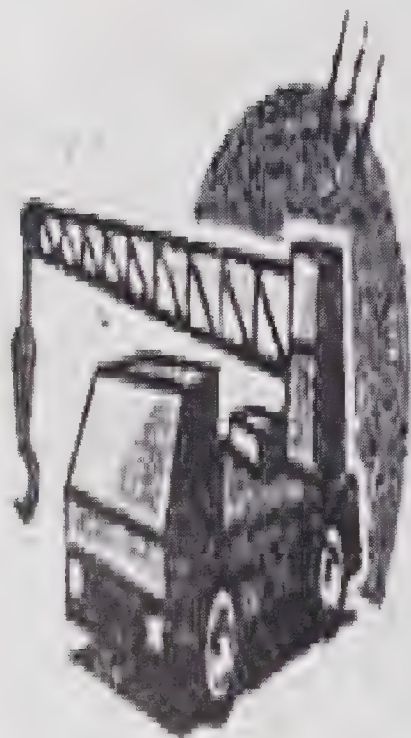


Leading the group, Senior Vanessa
Staley shows the team her latest
routine she came up with.

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MICHAEL DOLL



Mom and David


07 Jed, We are so proud of you. As you go off to college, let the Lord guide and direct your path in everything you do. We love you! Mom, Dad, and Colton!

WITTY JED FREEMAN



07 Jared, It's hard to believe how fast the years have passed. As you follow life's path, we hope it will be everything you want it to be. Congratulations! We love you. Mom, Dad, Brant, and Bradley

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our first son, now that
high school is over your
adult life has begun.
Remember who
you are keep your expect
ations high and always
remember to reach for the sky!


Love always
Mom and Dad

KYLE LABELLE

07 Tig.
We admire your strength, cour-
age, and perseverance. We thank you for
all the joy and beauty you have brought into our lives.
Always follow your dreams and reach for the stars!
You're the hero!
Love, Mom and Dad

LORENZ


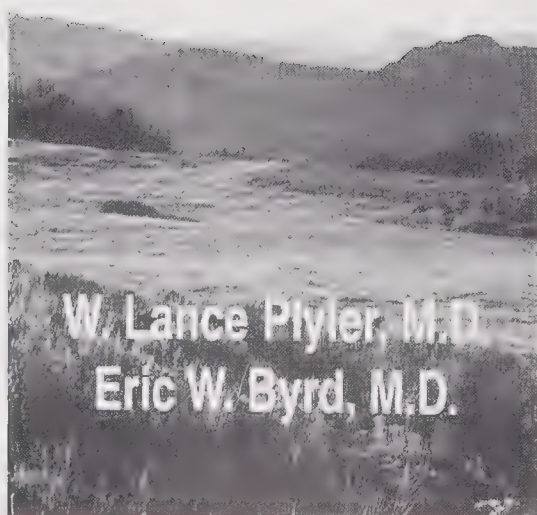
HEATHER



07 To our sweet little girl,
You're all grown up now. We knew
that day would come. We've done our best
to lead you down the right path and let God lead you.
We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Chelsea

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JESSICA

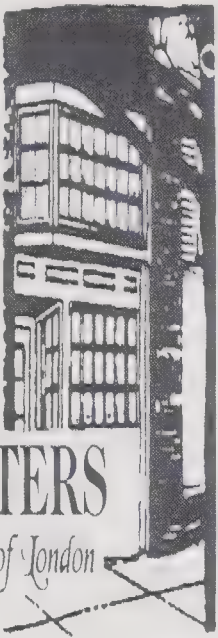



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keep you safe.

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Mommy

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07

Sean,

We are so proud of you. It's impossible
to express the love, pride, joy and laughter
you've brought to our lives.

Good luck and best wishes in all your endeavors.
We are always here for you.

Love,

Nanny and Papaw

SEAN BRANON

OWEN



It seems like only yesterday
you were a cute little
girl and now you're a beautiful
young lady. We love you
so much. We are proud of you
and know you will go far.
We pray God will guide and
protect you always.

Love,

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To our, intellectual, witty, loving, funny, unique son. Thanks for just being you. We are so proud of the young man you have become. Follow your heart and seek God's will for your life. We love you and wish you the best.

Mom and Dad

JAY
PRYOR



07

Little "B"

The future belong to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

Eleanor Roosevelt

Remember you can always depend on our love, support, guidance, and friendship.

We love you.

Daddy, Momma, and Kelda
Proverbs 3: 4-6

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It has been a joy watch

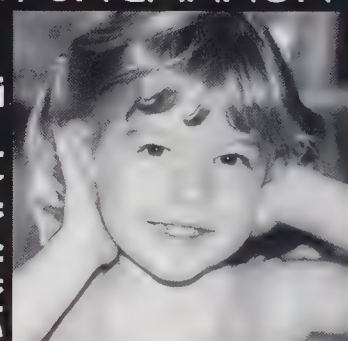
ing you grow from a precious baby girl to a lovely young lady. We are so proud of you.

Always follow your favorite verse. Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on you own understanding; in all ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your path. Prov. 3:5-6

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termination and we know you will go far in life. We thank God everyday for giving us such an outstanding daughter. We love you.

Mom, Dad, and
Kristen

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KAYLA



JEREMY WILDER

We are proud of the Christian young man that you are, and of all of your accomplishments. As you face new challenges in life, we know you will always be a success. You will always be our pride and joy. We thank God for you, and love you with all our hearts.

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Jennifer



07

Tyler,

What a wonderful blessing God surprised us with 18 years ago. We have loved every minute watching you grow up. You have made us so proud with your academics and athletics. You have been so easy to raise. Sorry you had to get that one spanking.

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Dad, Mom, and Kyle

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Congratulations Stephanie!
You have challenged yourself and succeeded.
You have achieved goals because of self motivation. You have influenced others in the past, but your biggest influence may be as Big Sister. Godspeed and we love you!
Mom and Dad

07 Bec,

Your life journey has been difficult, yet you've never give up, always walked with God and tried harder than anyone we've ever known. You are an inspiration! We could not be more proud or have more respect for what you've made of you life.

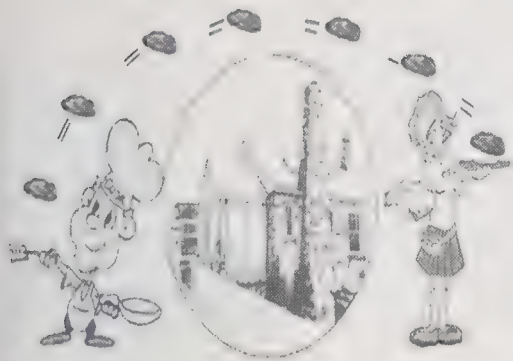
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SAMUEL JORDAN GARMON

07 Teenie,
 You have come from 'not knowing a blade of grass on the playground' to being the 2007 student Body President and Homecoming Queen!! Proud of you, we'll always be Love from all your parents

P.S. I'll always 'check, check the baby.'

Love,
 Brittney

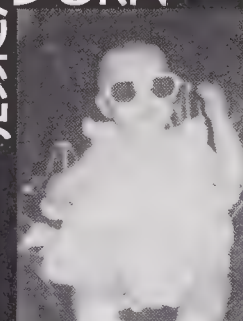

CHRISTINA STORM



07 Jess,
 You made it! As you finish your senior year we want you to know how proud we are! you are an exceptional young lady and we are proud to be your parents. We love you!

Mom and Dad

JESSICA DORN





From Ninja Turtles, Dalmations, and 'Acky Breaky Heart, to horses, pick-up trucks, and cell phones, we have watched you grow to a wonderful young man. Keep God first and you won't go wrong. Congratulations!

You know we love you,
 Dad, Mom, and Dillion

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You were always determined to ride right from the beginning. We will always be your biggest fans and know that you will follow your dreams doing what you love the most! God will see you through as long as you put him first.

Forever yours,
 Mom, Dad, and Sean

07 We are awed by your outstanding integrity, charm, kindness, and humility. God has blessed you with leadership and shaped you into a man of honor. Always trust him and believe in yourself, and our never ending love for you.

Dad and Mom

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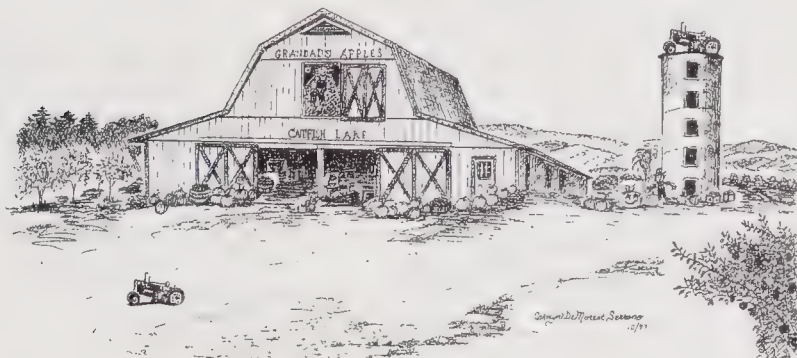
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Love,
Dad, Mom,
and C J

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SARA CASE

07

As we have watched you grow, we are so very proud of you. Just always remember, I can do all through Christ, which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13

We love you very much.
Mom and Dad

ERIN MCCRAW

2007

TERI CARTER

Hey Beautiful!

You always have a smile on your face no matter what. We are so proud of the young lady you are. Always keep Christ first and He will see that all your dreams come true.

Keep smiling!
Love,
Dad and Mom

07

Dear Briana,

We have watched you grow into a most remarkable young lady. You are a wonderful sister and daughter. Your humor, intelligence, beauty, and compassion have not gone unnoticed. As you close this chapter in your life we wish you love, health, happiness, and success in the future.

All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Allie

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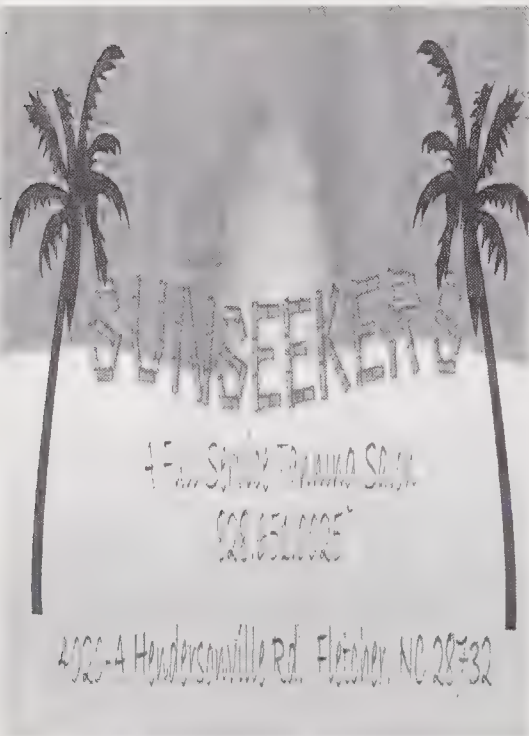
My Lizzie Lou,

I am so proud of what you've accomplished and who you've become. You're my best friend and the love of my life. No matter what, you'll always be my brat! Stay true to yourself and keep moving upward. Congratulations Baby Girl! You did it!

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07

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Kayla,

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Shelly,
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you. What a beautiful person inside and
out you have become! You light up our lives in so many
ways. What a smart and hard working young lady you
are. We love you bunches.
Mom, Dad, Heather.

JANES

MICHELLE L.

2007

KASI DOWDLE

Congratulations! You are taking another step
toward a full and meaningful life. Keep your
focus on the One who is above all. Thanks for
the joy and laughter you have brought to us.
You are our princess. We love you.
Grand Papaw, Mom, Shayne, and
Patrick

07

Dear Matthew,
You came into this world with a loud
cry and sharing everything with a twin
sister. We are very proud of you for turning into a fine
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Love,
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ASHLEY HOLT



CIARA NEWMAN



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Cee,

What a strong, independent, beautiful angel that God blessed us with 18 years ago. You have matured into such an awesome young woman. We could not be prouder. Always keep God close to your heart and always, always remember WE LOVE YOU CHUNKS!!!

Mom, Dad, and Dakota



Missy,

Yesterday you were a baby in my arms, today you are a beautiful young woman. Where did all the years go? You will always be my baby.

The clouds opened up, the sun shined down
All the angels smiled,
The Lord blessed me with you that day
My daughter, my youngest child.

Love,
Mom

TARA ESCOBAR



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07 Dear Zac,

You have been such a blessing in my life. It seems like only yesterday you started school. Now you're graduating! I can hardly believe it! You know "my wish for you." And we love you so much!

Love,

Mom, Tony, Maxx, Anthony,
and Melli

ZACHARY TODD CONARD

07 To Ladybug,

You have been a blessing since the day you were born, and I am glad that God allowed me to be a part of your life. From the very first time I held you in my arms your dreams became my dreams. I have always thought of you as my special child.

At this point in your life, I want you to always remember that GOD IS your everything, and he will supply all of your needs if you trust in him. I love you with both a motherly love as well as an agape love, which means that I love you no matter what.

Always remember that I am here for you when ever you need it but be strong enough to stand on your own with out having to lean or depend on anyone except your Father in heaven.

I love you very much,
Mom

SHANICE MARSHALL

2007

JUSTIN CHILLINGTON

Justin,

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treasuring each one and all.
We know you'll always bring us joy
from a Daughter to Woman standing tall.


07

From our sweet baby girl to a beautiful young woman, how quickly time passes. We are so proud of you. With your confidence and determination to succeed, your future is full of endless possibilities. Remember how very much we love you.

God bless you,
Mom, Dad,
April, and Mason

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AMY

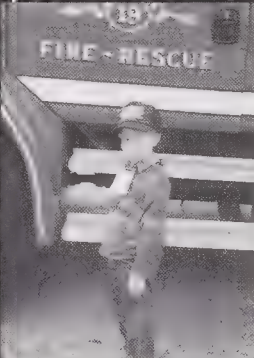


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Cory,
If there ever was the perfect child, you have been it. Your sweet smile, that mischievous grin, your kind, giving heart have been a blessing to this family. Keep God at the center of all you do.

We Love You!

ANDREW CORY JUSTUS



SERENITY ASH



2007

Serenity,
From a small child to now your graduation you have brought us nothing but pride, love, and happiness. With God's continued grace we know that the future holds success and joy in all that you will do.
Remember to trust God always.
With much love,
Dad and Tracy



07

Nae,
You are my pride and joy. I am so proud of the young woman you have become. Remember who you are and that I love you, always and forever, near or far, our hearts beat together.

Love,
Your mom

REVITZER

RENAE

We are so proud of all you've already accomplished. Our wish is that all your hopes and dreams come true. As you dance down the exciting road ahead, remember that you are always loved and near to our hearts.

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Your zest for life has been
a source of inspiration

(and sometimes amusement) for our family. May God
bless you abundantly!

Mom, Dad, and Stephanie

ALICEN HYDER

07

It's a joy to have you as a daughter. You have
grown into a beautiful young lady. You are also
my friend.

Love, Momma

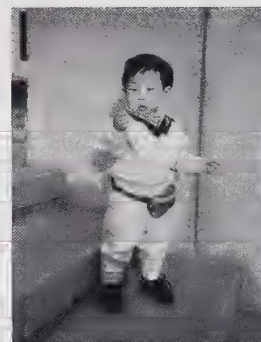
Blondie,

So you start a new
journey in life.
Wherever the road
takes you, the world
will become a better
place.

Dad

CONNIE

SINCLAIR



You have given us many
wonderful memories.
God bless you always.
Rejoice always, pray with
out ceasing, in everything
give thanks; for this is the
will of God in Christ Jesus
for you.

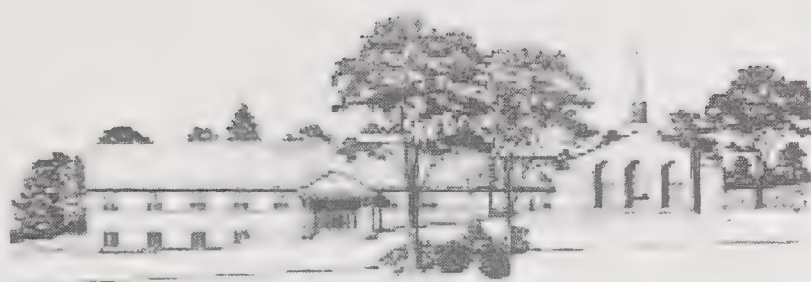
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AMBER HOPE WILSON

You have always brought such joy to our lives! You are a beautiful, intelligent, talented, creative, and amazing young woman! Face life with confidence in yourself and your many God-given talents, knowing that we are ALWAYS there for you! Mom, Dan, Dad, Beverly, and Marie

SUSAN MARIE PRYOR

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07 Jennifer, It's hard to believe 18 years have come and gone. We love you and are so proud of you. Always remember to keep your head on straight, watch out for blonde moments, keep faith in God, and as someone once told you: Follow your heart. Love, Dad, Mom, Jarrett, and Crystal

JENNIFER KITCHEN

Eighteen years ago God blessed us with a very special gift. A gift that has provided us with many cherished moments that will never be forgotten. It is now time that we proudly share our gift with the world. We have no doubt that it will be a better place with you in it. We are proud and love you more than you will ever understand. Love, Mom and Dad

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Mom and Eddie

KRISTEN WILSON



2007

To: My Teddy,

I can't believe your going to graduate before me, but I am very proud of you for going through that long and challenging road we call, High School. It's been tough, this I know but I promise you one thing it will be worth it!

From: Your Tigger



Cam,

The shining light of his parents' hopes and dreams. He is a young man who makes life's moments so beautiful with the miracle of all that he has been, and the treasure of everything he will become. We love

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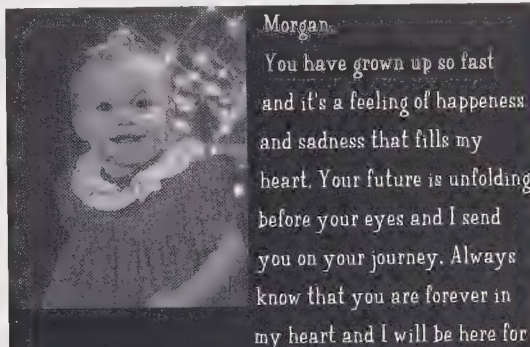
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LEAH

CAGLE



Morgan,

You have grown up so fast
and it's a feeling of happiness
and sadness that fills my
heart. Your future is unfolding
before your eyes and I send
you on your journey. Always
know that you are forever in
my heart and I will be here for

you whenever you need me.

Love you,
Mom

MORGAN CUSSANS



2007

LOGAN BRACKETT

Logan,

We are so much more proud
of you! We know you will succeed wherever
life may take you. You've got your roots, now
spread your wings!

Love you more than you'll ever
know.

Mom and Dad (and the brats)

07

Our Baby Girl,

We are so very proud of you, a
beautiful, bright young lady full of plans,
ideas, goals, accomplishments, a love of family, friends and
with this will continue to succeed in life and happiness.

With all our love,

Mom, Greg, Dad,

Stephanie, Brandon

GREER

BRITTANY



07

We knew you would get lost!
Mom, Dad, and Meredith

MANNING

MICHAEL



07

Mandy,

From the moment you were born, I
know you would grow up to be the young lady
you are today. Your dad and I wish for you all of your
dreams and a life full of Christ and Happiness. We love
you Honey.

Mom and Dad

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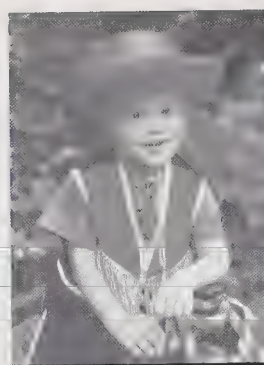


07 Children are a gift from God, and God has truly blessed us with you. We love you and thank the Lord for you.

We couldn't have asked for a better daughter. Remember if you keep God first you will succeed in all you do.

Love,
Mom and Dad

CARA A. NORRIS

Josh,

We pray you remember the things we taught you, use the gifts God gave you, and love as much as we love you. You will always be our sweet little boy! We are so proud to call you our son!

Love,
Mom and Dad


JOSH DRAKE

07 Your family is so proud of you.

You are a unique person that has always been true to yourself. We believe in you and know that you can make the world a better place. Believe and it will be!

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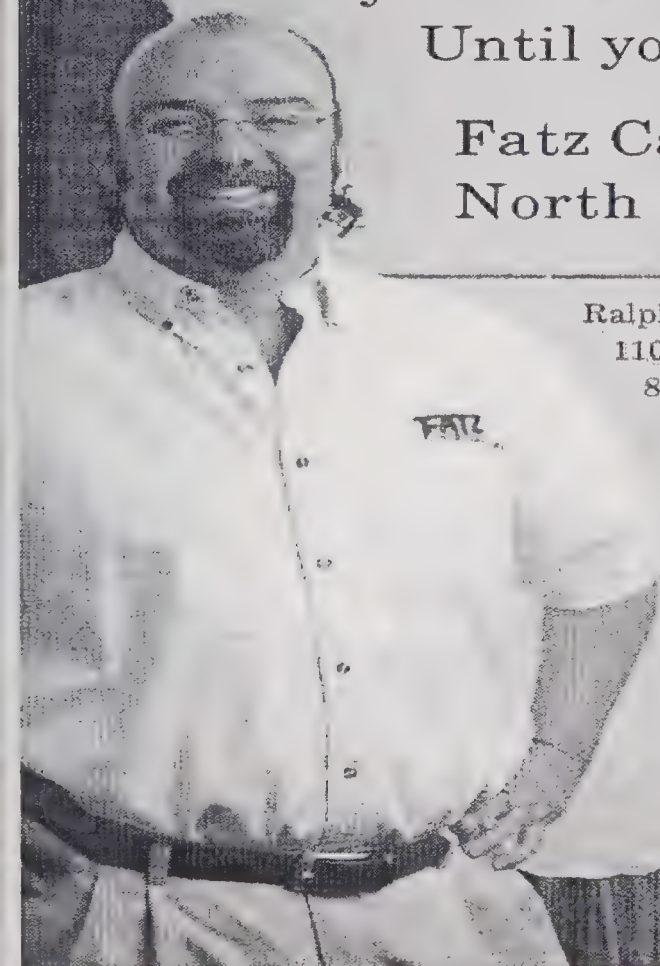
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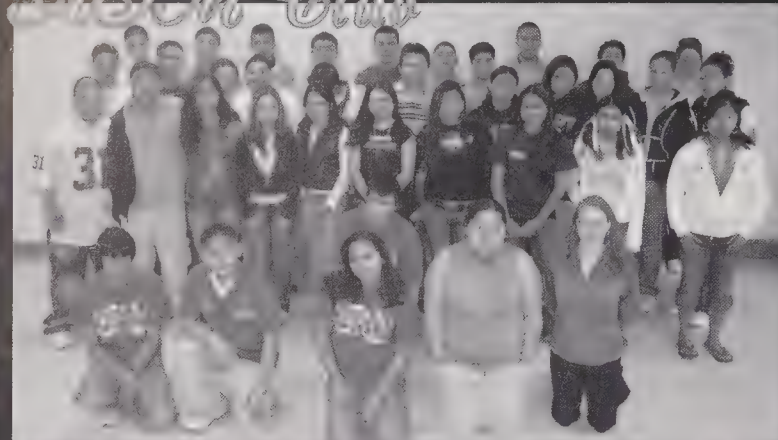
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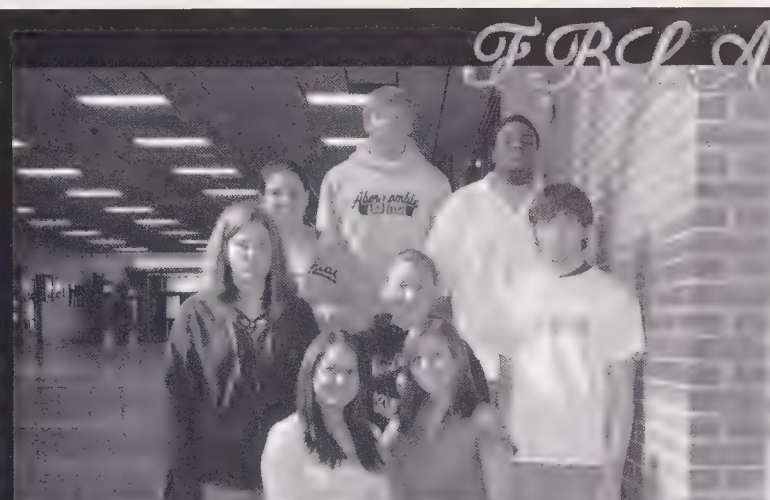
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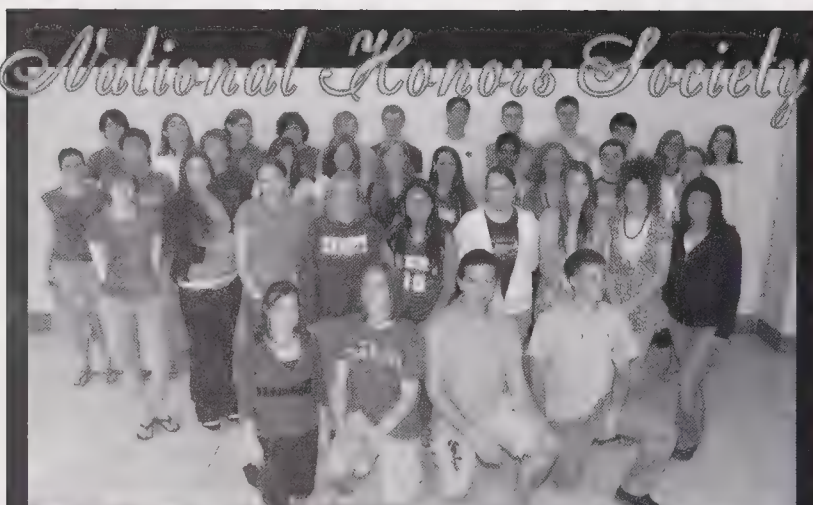
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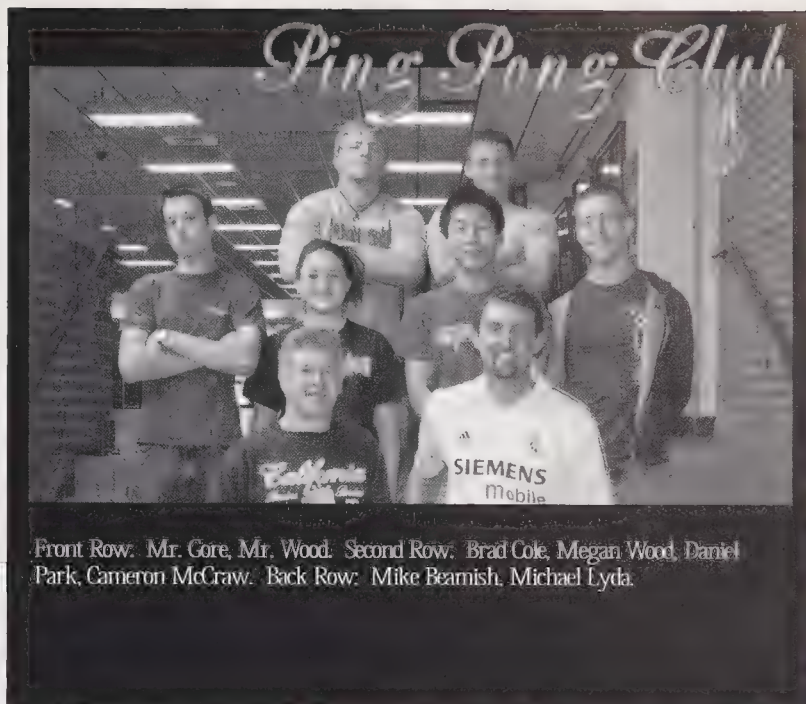
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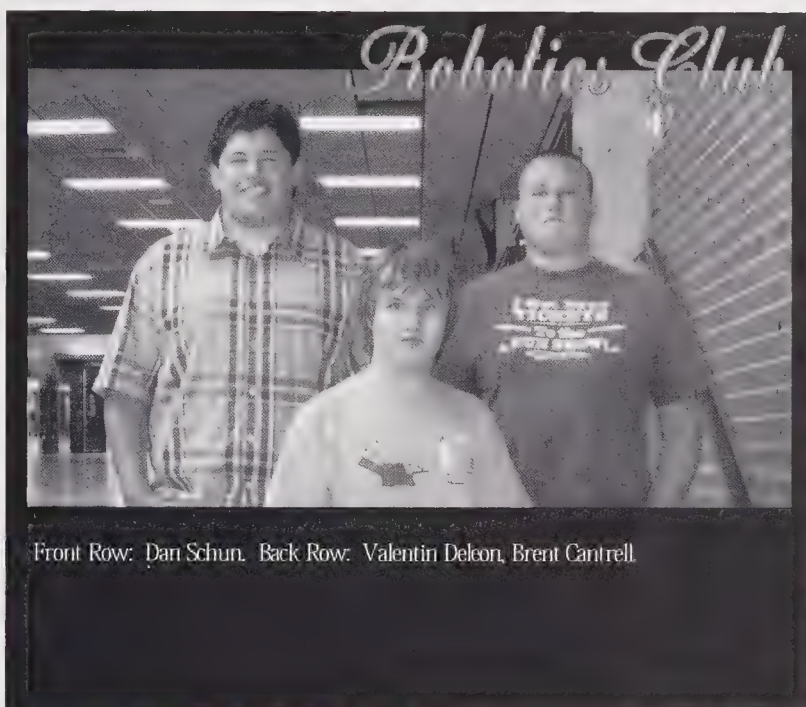
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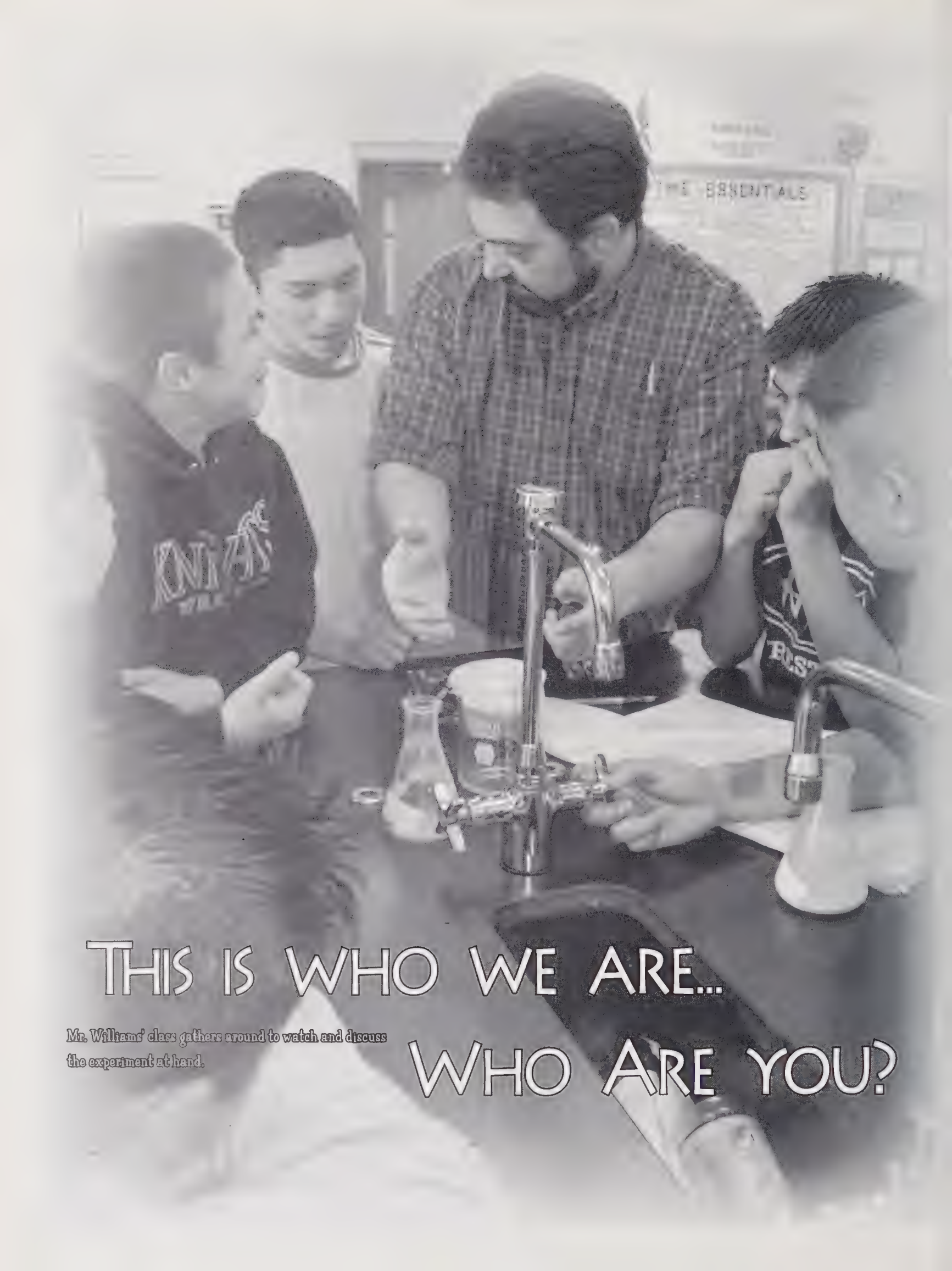
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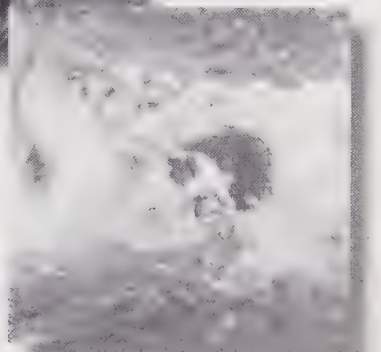
THIS IS WHO WE ARE...

Mr. Williams' class gathers around to watch and discuss
the experiment at hand.

WHO ARE YOU?

As we come to the end of a new year at our old school, we must take a moment to reflect on the people that helped to shape so many memories. We have to remember that group in the corner of English class who always drove the teacher crazy, that boy in lunch who couldn't stop talking about video games, and the kid in French class who could never quite get it right. We remember that teacher who would tell you all of his life story if we simply asked. We remember those people who we crushed on, who we teased, who we loved and who we avoided. We can remember them all. Every one of these people played a part in our daily lives this year.

At the beginning of the school year, they were all nameless - just people to deal with as we made our way to our lockers. But now, as we push our way through the hall for the last time, we can recognize all these people. We see so many freaks, nerds, preps, punks, jocks, geeks and thugs, but we can see far beyond that. We all have our labels, but we are able to soar beyond them and prove ourselves to be *distinguished*. From that boy who beat that new video game in a record breaking amount of time, to the girl who can paint with watercolors like no other, to the boy who has never made less than an A, we all stand out. We are obviously *diverse*, we saw as we broke away from our friends and took classes that interested us. We could sit in class and see people of many different nationalities, backgrounds and cultures. We have proven ourselves to be *victorious* in sports, as well as other things, as we have hosted some of the best cross country runners in the state, a third of the region's superior thespians, and some of the best future businesspeople anybody could ask for. We can even be caught being *studious* on occasion. From that most improved student in the geometry class to those seniors who received full-tuition scholarships, we reign supreme when it comes to our academics. And isn't this what it's all about? Learning. Sure, we finally figured out those formulas and how to write a paper that can pass an AP test, but along the way we were also learning a valuable lesson about people. We can't judge. We can't just stick that label on a person and think we know them by simply looking at them. So, really, how can we ask that unfair question? There's no simple answer for anyone who goes to our school. There's no way to verbally communicate who a person is. Because of the complexity of each human being, it may take a lifetime of observation and compassion to even begin to answer the question, "*Who are you?*"



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